

ODAWA TRAILS

SPRING PROGRAM STAFF WORK WITH AREA YOUTH TO REDUCE UNDERAGE DRINKING

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

To the public, Chris Hass is a basketball star.

But to the students who participate in the SPRING Program's boys talking circle at Pellston High School in Pellston, MI, he is a fellow student, a friend and their peer mentor.

The boys and girls talking circles at Pellston High School are one of SPRING's outreach programs in which staff members work with Northern Michigan area youth in an effort to reach its goal of reducing underage drinking. Harbor Springs High School in Harbor Springs, MI, and Petoskey High School in Petoskey, MI, both look to do similar peer-to-peer mentoring.

The Associated Press named Hass, a 6-foot-4 senior guard, the Class D Player of the Year and a member of its All-State team after Hass led Pellston to a 23-2 record in the 2011-2012 season and to its first state semifinal berth and first regional title since 1944. Hass, who will play basketball at Bucknell University, averaged 31 points a game for the 2011-2012 season.

"The boys look up to Chris as a role model, and they have a good relationship with him," SPRING Program Coordinator Angie Woodin said. "He helps them with their basketball techniques and teaches them about life. He's the



type of person they aspire to be. He and Miranda (Byard, the peer mentor for the girls talking circle) set good examples for the other kids."

Pellston Public Schools Athletic Director/Student Success Coordinator Cole Andrews started the boys talking circle on March 1, 2012 by introducing the topic of bullying, and Hass facilitated the talking circle.

"We didn't have anything like this when I was in school," Andrews said of the talking cir-

cle. "As a kid, you don't always want to talk to your parents about things, but you talk to your friends and peers about them."

"It's a good thing because the effects of bullying bothered me into my 20's."

Despite excelling in basketball, Hass said he is not immune to bullying.

"When you are successful at something, people try to find something wrong with you," he said. "No one is perfect. When people say

things to me, I use it as motivation to prove them wrong.

"Just remember, you're not alone because bullying happens to everyone."

SPRING stands for Significant Prevention Resulting in New Generations and is funded by a federal grant which started in July 2009 and ends in July 2014. SPRING Program staff includes Director Dr. Cheryl Samuels, Coordinator Angie Woodin, Health Educator Arlene Naganashe, Outreach Workers Deleta Smith and Yvonne Goudreau and Clerical Assistant Ronda Ellis. The Community Organizer position is currently vacant, but it looks to be filled in the near future.

The SPRING Program is under the umbrella of the Substance Abuse/Mental Health Department, which is a part of the Health Department, and the SPRING Program is located at the LTBB Health Park in Petoskey, MI.

In addition to the talking circles, the SPRING Program has distributed "Parents Who Host Lose the Most" signs in the Petoskey, MI, Pellston, MI, and Harbor Springs, MI, areas for people to place outside their homes, schools and businesses; had people sign pledge cards to not serve minors and hung the pledge cards in the LTBB Youth Center in Petoskey, MI, the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, and the Petoskey, Pellston and Harbor
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POLICE OFFICER SYMONS REMEMBERED AS FRIENDLY, HELPFUL INDIVIDUAL

By Ryan Bentley, News-Review staff writer

Editor's note: The following article appeared in the *Petoskey News-Review* on March 28, 2012 and is reprinted here with permission.

Patrick Symons, an officer in two area police agencies who died Sunday (March 25, 2012), is remembered for his friendly and helpful demeanor.

Symons, who was a full-time patrol officer with the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Police Department and worked part-time for the East Jordan Police Department, died as a result of a heart attack he suffered Sunday (March 25, 2012) while at home in East Jordan, MI, his wife Melissa said. He was 34.

"Patrick truly was the meaning of a people person," said LTBB Chief Law Enforcement Officer Jeff Cobe.

Originally from West Branch, MI, Symons moved to East Jordan about 18 years ago. After a stint working in the foundry at East Jordan Iron Works, Melissa said her husband decided a



few years ago that he'd like to return to school and pursue his interest in becoming a police officer. He received his Associate degree in Law Enforcement from Northwestern Michigan College

in 2009, and began a part-time position with the East Jordan Police Department in 2009.

Symons took on a full-time job with the Odawa tribal police in 2010 while continuing to work part-time in East Jordan.

"I think with Patrick being new to law enforcement, he had a sense of maturity that's kind of hard to find in new recruits today," Cobe said.

Cobe said this maturity perhaps stemmed from Symons' previous work experience in another field, and the time he spent helping raise a family.

Symons showed an ability to be authoritative — as is often required of police officers — and friendly at the same time, Cobe noted.

Symons' wife noted his willingness to help when others needed it.

"If any friends called him or anyone called him, he would go help at a moment's notice," Melissa said.

Patrick Symons enjoyed riding his motorcycle, working on home improvement projects, playing with his children and watching them participate in sports, his wife noted, adding that he displayed a straightforward manner.

"He said it like it is," she said. "He wouldn't mince words. He would tell you what he thought."

Through the years, Symons had been involved in community activities such as coaching soccer, helping out with Little League baseball, serving on the East Jordan Fire Department and as a church youth leader.

After Symons suffered the heart attack, Melissa said she
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Being Odawa is all about Freedom

The freedom to be a part of a people, who with integrity and pride, still have and speak our language. The freedom in common with all other Odawak the customs, culture and spirituality of our ancestors. The freedom we have today we will bring to the future through unity, education, justice, communication and planning. We will reach out to the next seven generations by holding to cultural values of Wisdom, Love, Respect, Bravery, Honesty, Humility and Truth. We will utilize our tribal assets to provide the necessary tools to become successful, hard-working community members who proudly represent our culture. With these values we will move the tribe forward.

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The Communications Department welcomes submissions for our "Lines From Our Membership" section of the newsletter, but we cannot run anything political in nature or expressing an opinion due to a long-standing department policy. Because we have a newsletter and not a newspaper, we do not have an editorial page. We reserve the right to edit any material submitted for space and content.

The deadline for the June 2012 issue of *Odawa Trails* is April 30, 2012.

You can e-mail, fax or call your submissions in to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov, fax them to 231-242-1430 or call them in at 231-242-1427 or 231-242-1429. Please only call in your submissions if they are short. We also welcome comments, suggestions and story ideas.

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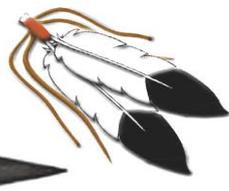
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DEPARTMENTS & PROGRAMS



HEALTH DEPARTMENT

MEET TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION COORDINATOR TRISTA PAONE



West Shore Community College, a Bachelor's degree in Nursing from Grand Valley State University and a Master's degree in Medicine from Western Michigan University.

"I love this job because it gives me the opportunity to influence the health and well-being of our teens," said Paone, who was born in Petoskey. "Our LTBB grant funded program focuses on teaching youth about positive decision making in life, love, family and relationships. We will also focus on improving parent-offspring communication, prevention of pregnancy and sex related infection and guiding success in education and career choices."

Her mother is LTBB Tribal Citizen Sharon Sierzputowski, who is the Health Director, and her grandmother was the late Anna Marie Lyons. She has two sons, Joseph, 17, and Vincent, 15.

"I have many relatives in the tribe and remember growing up with several who I would see on summer vacations," she said.

She enjoys beautiful scenery, taking walks, mountain biking, watching movies, reading good books, mushroom hunting, sunbathing, swimming and camping.

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette Van-DeCar.

Trista Paone started as the Teen Pregnancy Prevention Coordinator in the Health Department on February 14, 2012.

Prior to accepting her current position, she worked as a registered nurse (RN) at Butterworth/Spectrum Health in Grand Rapids, MI, for 13 years and moved back to Petoskey, MI, in 2010.

She earned an Associates degree in Nursing from

ARE YOU A CONCERNED PARENT? DO YOU WORRY ABOUT THE PROBLEMS OUR YOUTH ARE FACED WITH TODAY?

Aanii: Michele Keshick and Trista Paone are working under an LTBB grant for teen pregnancy prevention and adult preparedness. We are currently recruiting parents of our tribal youth to join us for a focus group meeting. It will involve open discussions that explore teen issues such as communication with parents, dating, relationships, teen pregnancy and prevention, sexually transmitted infections, education and career planning.

Please respond if you think this might be of interest to you. Call 231-242-1721 or e-mail tpaone@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. We will need 10-12 people for this discussion. Food and gift cards will be provided for your participation!!

Miigwetch
 May 9, 2012
 At LTBB Health Park
 Conference Room
 Agenda: Dinner 6 p.m.
 Discussion: 6:30 p.m.
 Questions/Comments: 7:30 p.m.



LTBB 5th Annual HEALTH FAIR June 1st 2012 SAVE THE DATE

Mina Mskiki Gumik ~ Health Department
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- * You must be between 12 and 19 to enter
- * Follow the themes of this page. Think about what it means to you to be ready to transition from being a teen to being a young adult. That might include

staying in school and going to college, saying no to drugs and/or having happy and healthy relationships. The possibilities are endless, so use your imaginations!

If you have any questions or to submit your entry, e-mail Kaitlyn at TribalPREP@mphi.org

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Good luck and happy designing!

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E-mail "Keepin' It REAL" Logo Questions and Submissions to TribalPREP@mphi.org

For more info, contact Trista Paone at LTBB 231-242-1721 or tpaone@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

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NATURAL RESOURCE DEPARTMENT

MORE THAN \$599,000 IN FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION GRANTS AWARDED TO TRIBES IN THE MIDWEST REGION

Editor's note: The following is a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Midwest Region press release dated March 19, 2012.

The Fish and Wildlife Service, Midwest Region is pleased to announce funding for three tribal fish and wildlife conservation projects totaling \$599,978 through the service's fiscal year 2012 Tribal Wildlife Grant program. The following tribes received funding this year:



The Ho Chunk Nation in Wisconsin; the St. Croix Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin and the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians in Michigan.

Tribal Wildlife Grants provide assistance to tribes for development and implementation of programs that benefit fish and wildlife resources and their habitat. Activities funded through the program may include planning for wildlife and habitat conservation, fish and wildlife conservation and management actions, fish and wildlife related research, habitat mapping, field surveys and population monitoring, habitat protection and public education relevant to the project.

Since 2003, 73 projects totaling more than \$11 million have been funded in the service's Midwest Region through the Tribal Wildlife Grant Program and the Tribal Landowner Incentive Program. These projects have made a big difference on the ground and have helped build capacity for tribal management of culturally important fish and wildlife species.

The following projects were funded this year:

The Development of Ho-Chunk Nation Wildlife Management Plan and Native Species Restoration Plan— Ho-Chunk Nation (\$200,000). This project will establish a comprehensive wildlife management plan and native species restoration plan for Ho Chunk Nation lands. As part of its native species restoration efforts, the tribe will work with partners to pursue elk restoration in the Black River area of Wisconsin. Overall, the project will enhance the tribe's capacity to effectively manage its resources and contribute to resource conservation at a landscape scale.

Common Carp Research/Mitigation and Wild Rice Restoration on the Clam River System and Clam Lake— St. Croix Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin (\$200,000). This project will research the impacts of common carp, a non-native species, on wild rice and the ecological functioning of the Clam Lake System in Wisconsin. The project will also restore nearly 300 acres of wild rice. Working closely with other partners, the tribe's efforts will benefit waterfowl populations, the lake's fishery and culturally important wild rice beds as well as

both tribal and non-tribal members who use these resources.

Development of the Michigan Walleye Population Model for the 1836 Ceded Territory— Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians of Michigan (\$199,978). This ongoing project will gather information to calculate population estimates of adult walleye and classify walleye lakes based on recruitment to further develop the walleye population model currently used in Michigan's inland lakes.

The refined model will be used to predict adult walleye abundance in order to effectively manage walleye resources in the 1836 Treaty Area of Michigan.

The service received 119 proposals requesting over \$19.1 million in project funding this year. The proposals were reviewed by regional and national scoring panels and 23 projects totaling \$4,344,049 were funded. The national news release and more information on the projects funded are available at: <http://tinyurl.com/nrdgrant>

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RECLUSIVE GRAY FOX SPOTTED IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN

LTBB Conservation Officer Mike McCreery saw this gray fox in Charlevoix, MI. The gray



fox, whose average weight is 10 to 11 pounds, lives throughout the United States from extreme southern Canada and into Mexico and Central America. They are not observed as frequently as red foxes due to their reclusive nature and more nocturnal habits. Gray foxes tend to be active from the late evening hours until dawn. They will readily climb trees, jumping from branch to branch while hunting or for protection. Their food includes rabbits, mice, voles, chipmunks, squirrels, fruits, insects, birds and eggs, carrion, corn, amphibians and reptiles. Their habitat is deciduous woodlands, thickets and swampy areas.

Photo by Mike McCreery.

2012 Hunter Safety and IBEP Certification Class

The class is a combo class. Upon successful completion of the class, you will receive a Hunter Safety Certificate as well as International Bow Education Program Certification.

The following classes will be held at the LTBB Governmental Center
 Friday, July 20th from 6-9 PM
 Saturday, July 21st from 9 AM to 4 PM
 Friday, July 27th from 6-9 PM

The final class will be held at the Harbor Springs Outdoors Club
 Saturday, July 28th from 9 AM to 4 PM

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The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resources Commission

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- Mail to LTBB Human Resources, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Questions? Please contact the Human Resources Department at 231-242-1563.

INFECTED/DYING ASH REMOVAL OPPORTUNITY



The LTBB Natural Resource Department (NRD) has a limited amount of funds through the BIA Emerald Ash Borer Project that may be used to remove dead or dying ash trees or limbs infested with invasive Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) which directly threatens LTBB Tribal Citizens' property such as buildings, driveways and other similar structures or where falling trees or limbs could be hazardous to people. To be eligible, the property must be privately owned by tribal citizens and be located with the Reservation Boundary

in Emmet or Charlevoix counties. Property owners who wish to participate in this project should contact the LTBB NRD for an evaluation of infected or dying ash trees by an NRD staff member. If the site is eligible after the evaluation, NRD will make arrangements to have the trees removed. These funds are available on a first-come, first-serve basis until the funds are exhausted. Contact Jackie Pilette at the LTBB NRD at 231-242-1684 for more information or to participate with this project.

Courtesy photo.

NATURAL RESOURCE DEPARTMENT REMINDS PUBLIC TO LEAVE WILDLIFE IN THE WILD

Spring is the season for wildlife to give birth. The Natural Resource Department (NRD) reminds tribal citizens and other Michigan residents to resist the instinct to try to help baby animals who may appear to be abandoned because in nearly every case, a parent is nearby, and the baby animal is not abandoned.

Unseasonably warm weather may have Michigan's black bears and recently born cubs out roaming earlier than usual. Great-horned owl



chicks are already hatched and will be out of the nest before long.

"The truth is, the animal doesn't need help - for example, even if a fawn appears to be aban-

doned, its mother is almost always nearby," NRD Wildlife Biologist Archie Kiogima, Jr. said. "We appreciate the good intentions of those who want to help, but the animals are better off left alone than removed from the wild."

Kiogima, Jr. said it's not uncommon for does to leave their young unattended for up to eight hours at a time; an anti-predator strategy which minimizes scent left around the newborn animals.

"The same holds true for rabbits, ground-dwelling birds and other wildlife," he said. "Even avian parents will continue to care for hatchlings that have fallen from a nest."

NRD advises:

- Many baby animals will die if removed from their natural environment, and some have diseases or parasites which can be passed on to humans or pets.

- Some "rescued" animals which do survive become habituated to people and are unable to revert back to life in the wild. It is illegal to



possess a wild deer or any other wild animals in Michigan, and every day a deer spends with humans makes it that much less likely to be able to survive in the wild.

- Eventually, habituated animals pose additional problems as they mature and develop adult animal behaviors. Habituated deer, especially bucks, can become aggressive as they mature, and raccoons are well-known for this, too.

The LTBB Natural Resource Department is committed to the conservation, protection, management, wise use and enjoyment of the tribe's natural and cultural resources for current and future generations.

Courtesy photos.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 2012
MARK YOUR CALENDAR

LTBB Natural Resource Commission
Annual Hunting / Fishing Meeting
Holiday Inn - Grand Rapids, MI

Please come and join us for the LTBB Natural Resource Department Annual Meeting.

Hear what the Natural Resource Commission/ Department has accomplished in the last year and plans for the future. We would like to hear tribal citizens' opinions and suggestions.

Meeting will be from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the **Holiday Inn, 310 Pearl Street NW, Grand Rapids, MI** - dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. and door prizes will be given away throughout the meeting.

Wednesday, May 9, 2012
5 p.m.—9 p.m.

Holiday Inn
310 Pearl Street NW
Grand Rapids, MI

Contact Information:
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Harbor Springs, MI 49740
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Or e-mail—
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<http://tinyurl.com/ltbbgreatlakes>

For more information, contact Lucas Evans, Great Lakes Policy Specialist
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231-242-1570

Great Lakes RESTORATION



LTBB Tribal Citizen Don Boda caught a steelhead trout, measuring 24 inches long while fishing on the break wall at the Bear River in Petoskey, MI, on March 15, 2012.

Photos by Mike McCreery.

HELP PROTECT OUR NATURAL RESOURCES

1-855-NRD-TIPS

TOLL FREE 1-855-673-8477

Please provide any information related to the tip which may include date, time, subject or vehicle description, nature of the incident, and location (Example: nearest crossroad). It is ok if you wish to remain anonymous. All tips are investigated in a timely manner.

LTBB Tribal Citizen Alex Dewey caught a steelhead, measuring 28 inches long while fishing on the Bear River in Petoskey, MI, on March 24, 2012.

Photo by Mike McCreery.



MAY BIRTHDAYS



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| <u>May 1</u>
Carol Gagnon
Elisabeth Kiogima
Patricia Minor
George Pamp
Sharon Sierzputowski | <u>May 11</u>
Catherine Anderson
Eric Hunting | <u>May 22</u>
Dorothy Boda
Shirley Davenport
Desiree Martinez
Ruth McGraw
Lucile Rich |
| <u>May 2</u>
Joseph Petoskey | <u>May 12</u>
Norman Leo
Patrick Lieby
Michael McKeown
Katrina Woodworth | <u>May 23</u>
Donna Newton
Cheryl Samuels
Charles Sessions
Diane Trafas |
| <u>May 3</u>
Alvin Degraff
Luella Moore
Patrick Naganashe
Philip Notari
Mary Powell
Ardene Romer | <u>May 13</u>
Laura Lonchar
Della Petoskey
Rita Smith | <u>May 24</u>
Mildred Laduke
Christine Shomin |
| <u>May 4</u>
Debra Godfrey
Mary Keshick
William Shananaquet, Sr.
Jerry Stromske | <u>May 14</u>
Shirley Chippewa
Gordon Groleau
Patricia Johnson
Gloria Miller | <u>May 25</u>
Sheree Gamble
Susie Searles |
| <u>May 5</u>
Theodore Dayson
Joseph Petoskey, Sr. | <u>May 15</u>
Elizabeth Jordan
Marilyn Napont
Melvin Napont | <u>May 27</u>
Gloria Chisholm
Peter Dayson
Bernard Hunting
John Keshick III
Joyce McClellan
Gary Rieter
Rose Silvey |
| <u>May 6</u>
Judith Black Feather
Dale Glazier
Sara Kagabintang
Millard Piler
Kathleen Shagonaby
Nancy Wanshon | <u>May 16</u>
Eileen Dennis
Angela Hayden
Geraldine Masse | <u>May 28</u>
Jennie Chamness
Augustine Kiogima, Sr.
Catherine Merryman
Robert Ramage
Robert Suhr
Dwain Walker |
| <u>May 7</u>
Shirley Firovich
Viola McNamara
Brenda Ybarrondo | <u>May 17</u>
Susan Allen
John Bott, Sr.
Timothy Petoskey
Dorothy Sagataw
Judith Sandoz
James Weissgerber | <u>May 29</u>
Andrew Chingman, Sr. |
| <u>May 8</u>
Marie Boda
Marie Deckrow
Reginald Dodge, Jr.
Robert Parkey
Mary Rivers
Anna Stead
Donna Vanpelt | <u>May 18</u>
Shirley Lark
Joseph Parkey
Steven Potter | <u>May 30</u>
Jacquelyn Connelly
Ramona Curtis
Richard Massey |
| <u>May 9</u>
Debhra Robertson
David Shananaquet
David Weaver
Ronald Willis, Sr.
Charles Zehe | <u>May 19</u>
Mary Shananaquet | <u>May 31</u>
James Kiogima, Sr.
Veronica Medicine
Cynthia Schuyler
Debra Smithkey-Browne
Vernetta Wachsman |
| <u>May 10</u>
Kathleen Deane
Elizabeth Gasco | <u>May 20</u>
Elizabeth Johnson
Wilfred Sharkey
Owen Smith, Sr. | |
| | <u>May 21</u>
Thomas Antoine
David Lacroix
Lawrence Nadeau
Donald Shomin, Jr.
Lawrence Skippergosh | |

Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Inc. & U.S. EPA
National Tribal Healthy Homes & Energy Efficiency Conference

"Pulling It All Together"
 May 8 - 10, 2012
 Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan 49783

The National Tribal Healthy Homes & Energy Efficiency Conference is a 3 day conference designed to promote healthy homes and energy efficient tribal homes and communities. Encourage economic development of renewable energy sources and technologies. The conference will include sessions such as the following:

- Indoor Air
- Lead and Asbestos Repair, Renovation and Painting Rule
- Integrated Pest Management
- Waste Reduction, Recycling, Composting & Gardening
- Drinking Water
- Septic Systems
- Energy Assessments
- Alternative Energy Sources and Building Materials

Because meeting face-to-face can provide powerful incentive to partnership building, we have planned the conference to provide networking opportunities. Participants will be able to network and build relationships with government, tribal, community and business representative during conference discussions, scheduled breaks, and when touring the associated exhibit space.

Who Should Attend

- * Tribes
- * Tribal Housing Specialists
- * Tribal, non-tribal Environmental Consultants
- * Health Departments
- * Building Engineers/General Contractors/Construction Engineers
- * Tribal Building Maintenance Staff
- * Tribal Teachers/Daycare/Early Head Start/Headstart
- * Community Health Nurses
- * Tribal, non-tribal Utility Company's
- * College/University
- * Financial Institutions
- * Government

Qualified Travel Scholarships available for the first 100 registered - Register Soon!
 REGISTRATION FORMS: www.itcml.org
 Contact Sheri Laaksonen at (906)632.6896 x 121 or Leslie Boulette x 105 for more information

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EARLY HEAD START 0-3 YEARS HOME BASED
3-5 YEARS CENTER BASED HEAD START
 2012/2013 PROGRAM YEAR

ASSISTING NEEDS INCLUDING LOCAL NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURE, NUTRITIOUS MEALS AND CENTRALLY LOCATED BUS PICK-UPS

MONDAY - THURSDAY 8:30 AM - 2:30 PM

HEAD START AND EARLY HEAD START CAN WORK IN COORDINATION WITH THE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PROVIDE SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WITH PHYSICAL, EMOTIONAL AND/OR LEARNING DISABILITIES

VOLUNTEERS ARE ENCOURAGED AND APPRECIATED!

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Health Department

Stop by and get your child car seat checked out. Car crashes continue to be the leading cause of death for children ages 1 through 12. For a car seat to do its job, it has to be the right one for a child's age and size. Car seats must be installed and used properly to provide adequate protection, and they must be adjusted to fit the child securely. Your child needs the right seat at the right time, used in the right way.

Free Car Seat Check at the LTBB Health Fair

Date: 06/01/2012
 Time: 11am-2pm
 Health Park parking lot

Contact person: Tina at 231-242-1614
 Phone: 231-242-1614
 Fax: 231-242-1617
 E-mail: tshawano@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

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ELDERS MEET AND GREET

We are coming to you! Watch for a postcard in the mail letting you know dates and times for your area. We look forward to the opportunity to meet with you!

~Elders Coordinator, Tammy Okuly~

Maajtaag Mnobmaadziid (Maj-tog Minowb-maude-zid)
 Maajtaag Mnobmaadziid means "A Start of a Healthy Life."

We are working towards providing services and information that will keep our infants, women and families in the best of health. There are no income guidelines to determine eligibility. We hope our services will reach any woman who will be bringing an Anishinaabe baby into this world. Our program is designed to provide services needed to both mom and newborn up to the age of two years.

Maajtaag Mnobmaadziid is designed to complement, not replace prenatal, postpartum and pediatric medical care. In addition to providing support and education during pregnancy, there is also a focus on helping women become and stay healthy before and between pregnancies. We affirm the sacred role of women in the community as givers of life and promote understanding of the importance of family well-being and the health of women throughout the lifespan.

For more information, please call:
 Mina Mskiki Gumik ~ Tina Shawano or Kay Rogers at 231-242-1614

GIJIGOWI BIPSKAABIIMI

Aanii, Boozhoo, this month includes a few additional flashcard/labels that are for around the home. Much of the household vocabulary was previously covered within the office vocabulary flashcard/labels. Send any comments, suggestions or questions to Carla McFall, 231-242-1454, 1-866-652-5822 or e-mail cmcfall@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Miigwech

Vowel	Sounds Like	Vowel	Sounds Like
a	bus	aa	father
e	bed	i	sit
ii	see	o	note
oo	book	nh	nasal sound



gizhaapkizigan
gi zhaap ki zi gan
stove



mkoomii-taaswin
m koo mii taas win
refrigerator



pakwaan
pa kwaan
roof



wiigwam
wii gwam
house



desigaan
de si gaan
porch, deck



daabaanigamik
daa baa ni ga mik
garage



taasogamik
taa so gamik
shed, tool shed



aachkinigan
aach ki ni gan
a room



aazhiwisak
aa zhi wi sak
in the other room



naamsak
naam sak
basement



mchisak
m chi sak
floor



nibegamik
ni be gamik
bedroom



nbaagan
n baa gan
bed



pishmowin
pish mo win
mattress



waaboowaan
waa boo waan
blanket



pkweshmowin
p kwesh mo win
pillow



chi-pabwin
chi pab win
large chair, couch



dopwaanhs
do pwaanhs; small table,
end table, coffee table

FORMER WOCTEP LAB ASSISTANT CHRIS POLASKY SERVED PATRONS WITH A SMILE



Baamaa pii Chris,

A big, well-deserved, MIIGWECH goes to Chris Polasky, who recently left his position with LTBB as the WOCTEP Lab Assistant to take an amazing opportunity in Juneau, Alaska. Chris was not only integral to WOCTEP, but also to the entire LTBB family as he assisted patrons in the media lab. Anyone who has ever been

in the lab is familiar with Chris, his friendly smile and helping hand. His patience, outgoing nature and knowledge of all things computer will be greatly missed by his WOCTEP family as well as the many people he helped in the lab on a daily basis.

"He's been so helpful to a lot of us," Melissa Laughlin mentioned. "Time and time again, he has gone above and beyond to make sure someone understands the computer concepts. He's great with all of us, young and old alike."

"I have always appreciated all of his help," added Ed Shenoskey, a computer lab regular. "We always have good conversation, and I'm glad I got to know him."

"He has been a lifesaver!" Tammy Okuly, LTBB Elders Coordinator, explained while discussing Chris' willingness to always help setup equipment for Elders' activities. "He would always smile and just say, 'Don't worry, I've gotcha covered,' then come down and help me."

Whether it was opening a Facebook account, debating PC vs. Mac or helping find scooter parts online, Chris could, and did, it all. His expertise and occasional Star Wars quotes will be missed more than he knows.

Live long and prosper, good friend.

Courtesy photo.

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WE ARE NOW WORKING IN CONJUNCTION WITH MICHIGAN WORKS! PLEASE CONTACT SIMON AT MICHIGAN WORKS! TO SCHEDULE TUTORING TIMES AT 231-348-5524

If you need GED study guides or material, please contact Amanda or Dorothy in the Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Academic Services at 231-242-1480.

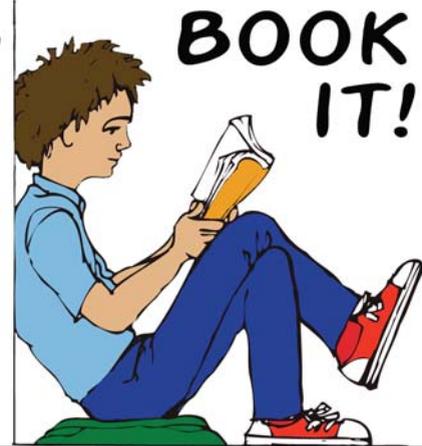
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3. FILL OUT A SHORT REVIEW FORM AT THE LIBRARY

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CONTACT THE LTBB CULTURAL LIBRARY AT 231-242-1480 FOR MORE INFORMATION!



BOOK
IT!

WOCTEP SPOTLIGHT: HEALTH PROGRAMS



If you are interested in health care in action or in knowing what health care opportunities are available in Northern Michigan then join us at the 5th Annual LTBB Health Fair at the LTBB Health Park in Petoskey, MI.

On June 1, 2012, WOCTEP will be at the LTBB Health Fair giving an inside look at how learning health care practices takes place right here at LTBB. Classes

for the North Central Michigan College (NCMC) Certified Nurse Aide and Phlebotomy programs are held at the LTBB Mina Mskiki Gumik Health Park. Come see how Phlebotomy students learn blood drawing techniques on phlebotomy arms and Certified Nurse Aide students practice health care on Mr. Kelly, our resident life-size medical mannequin!

WOCTEP focuses on certificate programs in emerging and high demand career fields, allowing people to receive the education and training necessary to get started in that field. Students in WOCTEP receive one-on-one advising with an advisor who walks them through each step of the college experience from applying for admission and financial assistance, reviewing classes to filling out the graduation application and sending out notices on jobs in the area.

For more information on WOCTEP and our programs, please call 231-242-1494.

We hope to see you at the LTBB Health Fair on June 1!

Courtesy graphic.

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS
"ATTENTION LTBB TRIBAL CITIZENS!"

GIJIGOWI BIPSKAABIIMI DEPARTMENT



Starting July 31, 2012, the Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi staff will be pulling all BIA and Adult Vocational Student Files dated prior to the 2004 year. If your last year in college was before the 2004 year, and you would like to pick up your student file, please stop by the Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Department.

Please remember the following:

- Unclaimed files after July 31, 2012 will be shredded.
- Due to highly confidential information contained within the files, we cannot mail, scan and e-mail or fax student files.
- The file must be picked up in person by the student.
- Active Student Files dated after the 2004 year will be kept within the Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Department.

PLEASE HAVE A VALID PICTURE ID
READY FOR VERIFICATION PURPOSES.

Tammy Gasco
Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Department Phone: 231-242-1480
7500 Odawa Circle Fax: 231-242-1490
Harbor Springs, MI 49740



The Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Department will host a Graduation Celebration for the LTBB tribal community on Friday, August 10th, at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI.

Dinner and ceremony begin at 6 p.m.

If you are a graduate or a family member of a graduate and would like to attend, please contact the Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Department at 231-242-1480 to RSVP.

Again, we are hoping all graduates (High School, GED, Vocational, College and Post-graduate) contact us with their graduation information.



ATTENTION STUDENTS!

YOU NEED TO SUBMIT
NEW APPLICATIONS FOR THE
MICHELLE CHINGWA SCHOLARSHIP
FOR THE 2011-2012 ACADEMIC YEAR
THAT STARTS ON AUGUST 1, 2011

****Please Note****
Applications WILL NOT be
automatically mailed to students



Applications are available online and can be downloaded from the Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Department's web-page at www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or may be requested from the Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Academic Services at 231-242-1480

**Avoid the
headache!**

UPCOMING DEADLINE FOR THE
MICHELLE CHINGWA SCHOLARSHIP
Summer

(May - August)

June 15th



For more information,
contact the Gijigowi
Bipskaabiimi Academic
Services at 231-242-1480

GUIDED STORY TIME

Summer is just around the corner. It is a great time for kids to relax and enjoy less structured time. Unfortunately, it is also a time when they lose some of the skills they have gained throughout the school year. Taking time to read or tell stories to your child is a great way to keep them from losing valuable knowledge gained this school year. Although any exposure is beneficial, guided story time is extra helpful in retaining academic skills.

The following are ways to enrich valuable time spent reading or listening to stories together this summer:

Questions to Ask During the Story

- What do you think will happen next?
- What can you tell me about the story so far?
- Can you predict how the story will end?
- Why do you think the character did _____?
- What would you have done if you were the character?

Questions to Ask After the Story

- Were your predictions about the story correct?
- If there was a problem, did it get solved?
- Why do you think the author or storyteller told this story?
- What was your favorite part of the story?



- If you could change one thing in the story, what would it be?
- Can you retell the story in order?
- Is there a character in the story like you? How are you alike?
- Why did you like this story?

(Questions found at <http://tinyurl.com/questionsencourage>)

Courtesy photo.

ATTENTION MICHELLE CHINGWA RECIPIENTS

Please remember in order to receive the second installment of your winter/spring semester award, the Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Department needs to receive your Enrollment Verification Form before the last day of the semester. Please remember faxed Enrollment Verification Forms will not be accepted, and it is the student's responsibility to follow up to make sure the form has been received. Also, please note the summer

deadline for the Michelle Chingwa Scholarship is June 15, 2012, and students must have a complete file by this date, including schedule and previous semester grades to be eligible. Late applications will not be accepted. For more information or help with higher education, please contact Amanda Swiss, Higher Education Student Services Specialist, at 231-242-1492 or by e-mail at aswiss@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

Z to A

Zhaaganaashimowin to Anishinaabemowin

Translate the vocabulary as a review of a few of the items from the past few months. Then, find the Anishinaabe word in the puzzle.

Search words may be found in any direction.

Solution & Word List on page 22.

w z m m n i n d n g s a n g i n n k
 a d m a a n a a d e n d a m i a o n
 a m a d n e d b g k m a a m g g o a
 s h n o k p a a i i b o d i g i i g
 e a o e h g a g a w h e h i i j i i
 c m z i n c h i g a n c s g e n a j
 h e i a h i w i w a s h e a i e o n
 i d a i p i n s a e k a w w w n i e
 g n g n a m a w t a d n o g e a a m
 a a z w i o a a a k i m a i k w i i
 n a e n a g a a n i b i k o o k d j
 i w g n c n i n n a g i n p i s m m
 g k i g i z i m a a g g i e n a k j
 i h z z i w i w w e n i a m k a h a
 a s m g b n p i s g i k n n k w c a
 m d w a g a n o d a b i n i g n a m
 t a p o g a s j d k a m a i z g a n
 g i i g i m n i g a a t w s o m i t

basket _____	light _____
book _____	mirror _____
box _____	picture _____
chair _____	scissors _____
clock _____	stereo, musical instrument _____
computer _____	table _____
cupboard _____	telephone _____
decoration _____	television _____
door _____	window _____

Weekend Urgent Care Alternative!

Quick Care
Family Medical Center

116 W. Mitchell Street Petoskey, MI 49770
231-348-2828

Quick Care can be utilized when immediate attention is needed for an urgent, but not life-threatening condition, and the LTBB Health Clinic in Petoskey, MI, is closed.

Northern Michigan
REGIONAL HOSPITAL

416 Connable Avenue Petoskey, MI 49770
1-800-248-6777

When using Quick Care, you are required to call LTBB Contract Health at 231-242-1600. Notice must be received within 72 hours of the visit. LTBB Elders have 30 days to notify Contract Health.

Notice: Up North Medical Center, also known as Boyne Country Urgent Care, located on M-119 in Harbor Springs, MI, is no longer open after hours or on weekends, so LTBB is no longer using it as an urgent care facility. After hours and weekend emergency treatment can be obtained at Quick Care Family Medical Center or Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey.

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HARBOR SPRINGS HARBOR PLAZA 8430 M-119 231-487-9390	ALANSON 7722 US 31 NORTH (NEXT TO SUBWAY) 231-548-5997	KALKASKA 559 S. CEDAR (131) 800-757-5997
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**HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENT ART CONTEST**

All high school students in Emmet and Charlevoix Counties are invited to create a poster to recruit foster families for teens. Posters will be used to publicize the need for new foster homes in the area.

Posters should be completed and returned to the school by May 4, 2012.

A poster from each school will be chosen by contest sponsors. These posters will be on public display. One winner from each county will then be chosen by a panel of judges with a prize of \$100.

Contest is sponsored by these licensing agencies:

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Child and Family Services of NW MI
Charlevoix-Emmet Dept. of Human Services

Posters entered become the property of contest sponsors to be used for future recruiting events.

Approximately 100 children in Charlevoix and Emmet Counties are in need of foster care each year. Each child or teen deserves a foster family that can meet their needs. For more information, contact Sharie Plain at 231-342-5052 or plains@michigan.gov

ATTENTION GRADUATES!

Calling all graduates...High School, College, GED and Vocational! It is time to celebrate and honor your achievements. Please complete the form below and send it to the Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Department or

E-mail your information to:

tjgasco@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Faxes can be sent to 231-242-1490 or call 231-242-1480.

Forms are also available in the

Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Department

located at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

School: _____

Diploma/Degree: _____

Post-Graduation Plans: _____

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians invites you to the
19th Annual Anishinaabe
Family language / Culture Camp

Celebrating the unity of our language and culture

Aanii piish ~ Manistee MI. Weness pii ~ July 27, 28, 29, 2012

Friday, July 27

Waabini Manidookewin (Sunrise ceremony)	Bring your nation flag and
8:30 AM Opening Ceremony	gift for the giveaway
9:15 AM - 12 PM Presentations/Workshops	Breakfast on your own,
12 PM Lunch	Lunch and Dinner are provided
1:15 - 5 PM Presentations/Workshops	
5 PM Dinner	
7 PM Talent night	

Saturday, July 28

Waabini Manidookewin (Sunrise ceremony)
9:15 AM - 12 PM Presentations/Workshops
12 PM Lunch
1:15 - 5 PM Presentations/Workshops
5 PM Dinner
7 PM Jiingtamok (Pow Wow)

No registration fee!

Sunday, July 29

Waabini Manidookewin (Sunrise ceremony)
9:15 AM - 12 PM Presentations/Workshops
12 PM Lunch, Giveaway & Closing

Some presentations are: Cultural teachings, language learning, pipe teachings, natural medicines, drum making, cradle board making, residential school experience, basket making, hide tanning crafts and games. These presentations and workshops are for all ages. We politely ask English be the second language used at this camp. These presentations will be in both English and Anishinaabemowin. First-come, first-serve for the camping area. This great event will take place at the corner of M22 and US 31 across from the casino, same place as previous years. There are showers onsite. Bring your nation flag, and we will display it to show the unity of our language and culture. We encourage every family to bring a gift for the giveaway.

Sponsored by the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians of the Anishinaabe Nation and the Little River Casino Resort
For more information, please call Kenny Neganigwane Pheasant at 231-590-1187 or 231-398-6892 or 231-933-4406

Terri Raczkowski at 231-398-6891

E-mail: kpheasant@lrboi.com or kennypheasant@charter.net

Check out our language camp page on our website at www.anishinaabemdaa.com



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

TAX AGREEMENT INFORMATION

By Theresa Keshick, Department of Commerce Assistant

The Department of Commerce (DOC) would like to remind the tribal membership about a few items pertaining to the Tax Agreement.

First of all, I cannot express enough how important it is to keep your address updated.

The first step in becoming a Resident Tribal Member (RTM) is to officially change your address with the Enrollment Department. This must be done in writing and as soon as possible.

The DOC cannot and will not change the estimated beginning date (EBD) (which is always the first in any given month) of a member's tax exempt status (see example below).

It is YOUR responsibility to update your address on file with the Enrollment Department. This date will affect how many months you will be able to file the Annual Resident Tribal Member Sales Tax

Credit (Tribal Form 4013). It is to your benefit to be able to file for the maximum number of months for this credit.

In addition, being an RTM will allow you to purchase large items such as vehicles, boats, motorcycles and off the road vehicles tax exempt.

There is a form that needs to be filled out called a "Request for TCE" (Tribal Certificate of Exemption), which is available in my office. Once this form is completely filled out, I will then issue the RTM the actual Tribal Certificate of Exemption (Tribal Form 3998).

If you plan on purchasing any of these items, please contact me FIRST, and I will be happy to get you the form via e-mail or fax. I am also able to fax the TCEs to the dealership you are doing business with.

Being an RTM will also allow you to be tax exempt on utility bills such as phone, cable, gas, propane, electricity, satellite and cellular service. If you have not filled out a Util-

ity Provider Survey, please contact the DOC, and I will be happy to get one to you.

Also, another important thing to remember is if you do move into the Tax Agreement Area (TAA), your RTM status does NOT take effect until the first day of the following month.

Example: I move to Petoskey, MI, (inside the TAA) on September 5, 2010. My RTM (EBD) status begins October 1, 2010. All updates are sent to the State of Michigan as close to the end of the month as possible.

The LTBB Tax Agreement is viewable on the State of Michigan's website at:

http://www.michigan.gov/trea_sury/0,1607,7-121-1748_23287---,00.html

If you have any other questions pertaining to the Tax Agreement, I can be reached at my office at 231-242-1584 or via e-mail at tkeshick@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.



ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT

ADDRESS VERIFICATION FORMS DUE OCTOBER 31, 2012

All minors need to have a notarized MINOR ADDRESS VERIFICATION FORM completed annually before OCTOBER 31, 2012. No faxed or electronic versions are accepted because all forms require original signatures. Forms must be mailed to the Enrollment Department at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 or dropped off at the aforementioned address. The Enrollment Department is located on the first floor of the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. If you have any questions concerning guardianship or custodial issues, please contact the En-

rollment Department at 231-242-1520 or 231-242-1521.

Minors who turn 18 by OCTOBER 31, 2012 must complete an ADULT ADDRESS VERIFICATION FORM. This form must be returned by OCTOBER 31, 2012.

Address verification forms can be downloaded at www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/Departments/Enrollment/enrollment.htm or you may call the Enrollment Office at 231-242-1520 or 231-242-1521 to have a form mailed to you.

THE ENROLLMENT OFFICE NEEDS YOUR HELP!

We would like to start tracking LTBB Tribal Citizens who have completed military service or who are currently on active duty. If you are a veteran, please call us toll free at 1-866-652-5822 ext. 1521 or 1520. We will be asking you the following questions:

- (1) Name
- (2) Date of Birth
- (3) Branch of Service

This information will be used by the Grants Department. Megwetch,
Pauline Boulton, Enrollment Officer

ENROLLMENT OFFICE FEE SCHEDULE

If you have any questions regarding the service and fee schedule, please contact the LTBB Enrollment Office at 231-242-1521, Linda Gokee, Administrative Assistant, or 231-242-1520, Pauline Boulton, Enrollment Officer.

Fees:	Tribal Citizens
Replacement Cards A replacement card is lost, stolen, expired or has an address change. Free to elders.	\$5
Tribal Directory Adults 18 and enrolled prior to 2/1/2009. Published every 4 years.	\$5
Tribal Directory Labels Requestor must provide labels.	\$5
LTBB List The list includes adult's first, middle and last names only.	\$5
Photocopies of Enrollment file \$1 first copy page, 25 cents for each page thereafter.	\$1 each
Marriage License Application Certified Copies: \$10 Photo Copies: \$5	\$15
Tribal Notary Application If approved Surety Bond: \$125	\$10

Services:

- > Enrollment Applications.
- > Address Change Forms.
 - o Adults require notarization if mail is delivered to a post office box.
 - o Minors require notarization annually.
- > Tribal Identification Cards.
- > Tribal Directory.
- > Marriage License Application.
- > Tribal Notary Application.
- > Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver Certification.
- > BIA - 4432 Indian Preference Form.
- > Eagle Feather Application and Re-Order Form.
- > Certifier of LTBB Degree of Indian Blood.

8-27-10

ATTENTION ALL RESIDENT TRIBAL MEMBERS (RTMs)

If you are planning to purchase a vehicle, ORV or plan on doing any home improvements to your principal place of residence, **YOU NEED TO CONTACT ME FIRST** before making the actual purchase(s). You must fill out the "Request for TCE" form located on the LTBB website or by contacting my office. I will then issue you a "Tribal Certificate of Exemption" for such purchases. The tribe no longer uses the Refund Method, as indicated in the monthly newsletter, as of January 1, 2008. If you've already made a purchase, there is no recourse! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Thank you. ~ Theresa Keshick

LTBB Tribal Directories

The Enrollment Office has LTBB Tribal Directories for sale. The tribal directory includes adults' names and addresses of LTBB Citizens enrolled prior to February 1, 2009, excluding undeliverable addresses and LTBB Citizens requesting not to be included.

Qualifications:

- Must include a copy of your tribal identification card
- A \$5 money order or check payable to LTBB of Odawa Indians

Mail to:

LTBB of Odawa Indians
Attn: Enrollment Office
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Enrollment Office at 231-242-1521 or 231-242-1520.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Resident Tribal Member Tax Information

Cross Village (all)	Readmond (all)
Friendship (all)	West Traverse (all)
Little Traverse (all)	City of Harbor Springs (all)
Resort (partial)	Bay (partial)
Hayes (partial)	Bear Creek (all)
City of Petoskey (all)	
City of Charlevoix (only NORTH of the bridge)	

Resident Tribal Members are exempted from the following Michigan taxes:

1. Sales Tax (currently 6% of retail price) via Form 4013
2. Use Tax (currently 6% of purchase price)
3. Income Tax (4.35% of Adjusted Gross Income)
4. Michigan Business Tax (currently 4.95%)
5. *Motor Fuel Tax (currently, 36.5 cents per gallon unleaded and 32.6 cents per gallon on diesel)
6. *Tobacco Product Tax (currently \$2 per pack of cigarettes)

* All LTBB Tribal Members are entitled to the exemption on fuel and tobacco.

*The Motor Fuel and Tobacco Product Tax exemption is available at Biindigen (tribal convenience store) located at 2169 U.S. 31 North in Petoskey, MI.

*The Motor Fuel Tax exemption is also available at the BP station on the south side of Petoskey, MI, near the Big Boy restaurant.

Please note: Exemption for tobacco and fuel is for LTBB Tribal Members' sole consumption ONLY!

IMPORTANT REMINDER: TRIBAL MEMBERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO USE THEIR TRIBAL ID SWIPE CARDS FOR PURCHASES OF NON-MEMBERS NOR ARE THEY ALLOWED TO LEND THEIR CARDS OUT TO ANYONE.

The current limit on tobacco purchases is four cartons per week per tribal citizen age 18 and over. The same applies to all other tobacco products (OTP) packaged in similar fashion.

Temporary Help Wanted

Are you a tribal citizen who would like to:

Gain valuable work experience?

Work in the tribal community?

Make a little extra money?

Gain experience in several fields?

Apply today to join our LTBB Temporary Worker pool!

Temporary assignments can last one day or as long as a month or more. Contact the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Human Resources Department today!

Call: 231-242-1563



TRIBAL NOTARY INFORMATION

The tribal notaries listed below are eligible to perform notarial acts within Little Traverse Bay Bands Jurisdiction unless he/she violates section C. Revocation WOS#2008-05 Tribal Notary Statute

Tribal Notary Commission Full Name	Current Status	Appointment Date	Expiration Date	Serial Number
Theresa C. Keshick	Active	2/18/2009	February 18, 2015	01-09
Rebecca R. Atkinson	Active	2/23/2009	February 23, 2015	02-09
Lisa Flynn	Active	2/23/2009	February 23, 2015	03-09
Beatrice A. Law	Active	5/11/2009	May 11, 2015	04-09
Cynthia Brouckaert	Active	6/7/2011	June 7, 2017	05-09

TAX AGREEMENT REMINDER

When moving into the LTBB Tax Agreement Area, in order to become a Resident Tribal Member, you must change your address in writing at the Enrollment Department located in the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. Your RTM status will take effect on the first day of the following month in which you moved.

LTBB ID CARDS

The Enrollment Office has new picture identification cards. YOU DO NOT NEED A NEW PICTURE IDENTIFICATION CARD UNLESS:

- Your tribal identification card has expired
- Your tribal identification card has no magnetic strip
- Your tribal identification card has a post office box and not a physical address

If you have an address change and you want the address change to reflect on your card, there is a \$5 fee. Please keep in mind there is a \$5 replacement fee for the card. Free to elders.

Enrollment Assistant Linda Gokee 231-242-1521
Enrollment Officer Pauline Boulton 231-242-1520



COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

2012 EASTER COLORING CONTEST WINNERS!





4 yrs
Olivia
Petoskey

7 yrs
Anthony
Russell

7 yrs
Zia
Wiltse

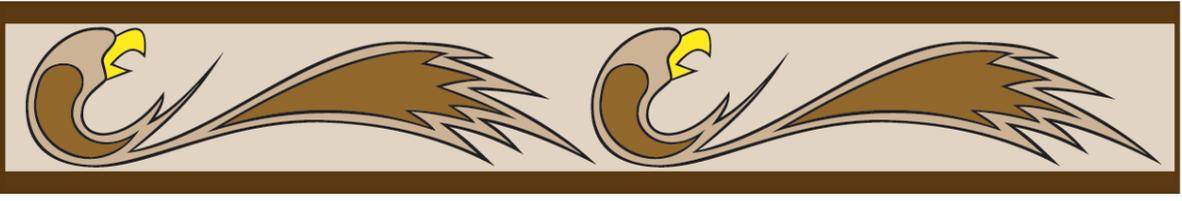




10 yrs
Emilee
Keller

11 1/2 yrs
Gavin
Harrington

12 yrs
Kayla
Bundy




EXECUTIVE BRANCH

FROM THE DESK OF THE TRIBAL CHAIRMAN DEXTER McNAMARA



VANDERBILT, MI, CASINO HEARING

In March 2011, Federal Judge Paul L. Maloney ruled in favor of an injunction filed against the Bay Mills Indian Community on behalf of the State Attorney General's office and the Little Traverse

Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, who both asserted Bay Mills had illegally opened the Vanderbilt, MI, casino and was not operating on Indian land as claimed by Bay Mills leaders.

On April 2, 2012, Joy Yearout, Spokesperson for the Attorney General's office, said a May 31st court date had been scheduled last week for the case to be heard by the Michigan Court of

Appeals, but because of a scheduling conflict, her office would be requesting a different date for the hearing.

She said the Attorney General's office planned on submitting a formal request to the Court of Appeals to reschedule the hearing on the merits of the case for a later date.

NEW CASINO BALLOT PROPOSAL PUT ON THE TABLE

A coalition of various developers, investors and Lansing, MI, types had their casino expansion ballot initiative language cleared for takeoff on April 3, 2012 by the Board of State Canvassers that morning.

The establishment of eight new, privately run casinos would be backed into the State Constitution under the "Citizens For More Michigan Jobs" ballot proposal. It would wipe out the 2004 Constitutional amendment which requires any gaming expansion proposal to go through a local and state vote, but it would still require a local vote of the people before any new casino could get off the ground.

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS
For the Mtigwaakiis housing development. Tribal Preference applies. For more information, contact the Housing Department at 231-242-1540



Equal Housing Opportunity TDD: 800-649-3777

The new casinos would be allowed on specific parcels in Detroit, MI, Lansing, MI, Romulus, MI, Grand Rapids, MI, Birch Run, MI, Clinton Township, MI, Cadillac, MI, and Pontiac, MI. The legal descriptions for all of the properties would be written into the State Constitution.

On the public front, the group includes former House Speaker Rick Johnson, former Lieutenant Governor John Cherry, former Department of Management and Budget Director Mitch Irwin and Pollster Steve Mitchell.

The released names of investors include Eldorado Golf Course owner Bob Meyer of the Cadillac/Clam Lake, MI, area; St. Clair Shores resident Brien Baker, lead developer of the Macomb County, MI, casino; Andrew McLemore, head of the Detroit Casino Partnership; Anthony Gray, who tried to get a Romulus, MI, casino through a competing ballot proposal last year and is now on board with this effort, and Andy Apostolopoulos of Pontiac, MI.

On the PowWow Trail



Michigan

May 19-20
Teaching Our Traditions
Brighton, MI
Contact Information: Wayne Hardwick at 810-229-8977, hardwick.w.a@gmail.com or www.teachingourtraditions.com

May 26-27
Heritage of Healing May Days
Ypsilanti, MI
Contact Information: Heritage of Healing at 734-550-7094, info@heritageofhealing.com or http://www.nativeyouthalliance.blogspot.com/

May 26-27
Oshke Kno Kewewen Traditional Pow Wow
Dowagiac, MI
Contact Information: Alycia Atkinson at 574-707-0113 or anishmama2@aol.com

June 9-10
6th Annual Gathering of the Clans Pow Wow
Manistique, MI
Contact Information: Viola Neadow at 906-341-6993 or 1-800-347-7137

June 15-17
36th Annual Great Lakes Area Pow Wow
Wilson, MI
Contact Information: Molly Meshigaud at 906-723-2270

June 23-24
Turtle Island Dreamkeepers
Monroe, MI
Contact Information: John Bailey at 734-625-8083 or canuswolves@yahoo.com

June 29-July 1
21st Annual Bay Mills Pow Wow
Brimley, MI
Contact Information: Justin Teeple at 906-437-4372 or justin_teeple@yahoo.com

Minnesota

April 28
17th Annual Indian Education Day & Wacipi
Osseo, MN
Contact Information:

<http://www.facebook.com/event.php?id=137205236336483>

April 28
American Indian Cancer Foundation Pow Wow for Hope
Minneapolis, MN
Contact Information: 612-584-0428

May 5
Fond du Lac Ojibwe School Pow Wow
Cloquet, MN
Contact Information: Joe Bruce at 218-878-7271

May 11
St. Paul Public Schools Indian Education Pow Wow
St. Paul, MN
Contact Information: 651-293-5191

May 12-13
13th Annual Mother's Day Traditional Pow Wow
Minneapolis, MN
Contact Information: Julie Ortiz and Millie Hernandez at 612-232-2975 or 612-481-4876

May 12-13
4th Annual Honoring our Mothers Traditional Pow Wow
White Earth, MN
Contact Information: Tim St. Clair at 218-204-0368 or 218-204-0559

May 25-27
Leech Lake Spring Pow Wow
Cass Lake, MN
Contact Information: Jerry Morgan at 218-335-7000, ext. 2005, 1-800-216-6329 or jerry.morgan@leechlakegaming.com

May 25-27
8th Annual Seven Clans Casino Pow Wow
Thief River Falls, MN
Contact Information: Ron Lussier at 218-556-7566, ralussier@sevenclan-casino.com or http://www.sevenclan-casino.com

May 28
17th Annual Memorial Day Pow Wow
Onamia, MN
Contact Information: 320-532-3632

June 2-3
Nett Lake School Traditional Pow Wow

Nett Lake, MN
Contact Information: 218-757-3757

June 8-10
5th Annual Jerry Fairbanks Scholarship Pow Wow
Sawyer, MN
Contact Information: Brenda Shabiash at 218-878-8194

June 15-17
White Earth Nation Annual Celebration and Pow Wow
White Earth, MN
Contact Information: 218-983-3285

June 29-July 1
9th Annual S-Lake Traditional Pow Wow
S-Lake, MN
Contact Information: 218-760-7955

Wisconsin

April 28
MATC Traditional Pow Wow
Madison, WI
Contact Information: 608-246-6458

May 5
39th Annual A.I.R.O. Traditional Pow Wow
Stevens Point, WI
Contact Information: 715-346-3576

May 18-20
23rd Annual Veterans of Menominee Nation - Gathering of Warriors Traditional Pow Wow
Keshena, WI
Contact Information: Wes at 715-851-4748 or westmartin@new.rr.com

June 8-10
29th Ode'imini-giizis Mole Lake, WI
Contact Information: Robert VanZile, Jr. at 715-478-1318, tvz33@yahoo.com or www.mole-lake.com

June 16-17
Honor the Firekeepers Traditional Pow Wow
Lake Geneva, WI
Contact Information: 708-715-5042

June 29-July 1
40th Annual Oneida Pow Wow
Oneida, WI
Contact Information: 920-496-7000 or 1-800-236-2214

29th Annual International World Celebration

North America's Biggest Powwow!

GATHERING OF NATIONS POW WOW

APRIL 26-28, 2012
ALBUQUERQUE, NM - THE PIT

36th Annual Great Lakes Area Traditional Pow Wow
Hosted by the Hannahville Indian Community

"Honoring Our Leaders"

JUNE 15, 16 & 17, 2012 WILSON, MI

PUBLIC WELCOME!

Grand Entry Times
All times Eastern Standard
Friday, June 15 - 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, June 16 - 1:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.
Sunday, June 17 - 12:00 p.m.

Hand Drum & Team Dance Contests

Host Drum: SMOKEYTOWN

MC's:
Mark Denning & Jefferson Ballew

Arena Director:
Tim McGregor

Head Veteran:
Albany Potts

Head Male Dancer:
Paul Syrette

Head Female Dancer:
Teresa Magnuson

Admission:
\$3.00 Daily
\$5.00 Weekend
Elders 55+ and Children under 5, FREE

First 5 drums to register will receive honorarium
Lodging: Island Resort & Casino 1-800-682-6040
Free camping at grounds, first come - first serve

DRUG & ALCOHOL FREE EVENT

CONTACT POW WOW COMMITTEE:
General Questions: Susie Meshigaud (906) 723-2500
Vendor information: Mark Larson (906) 553-2301
Princess Contest: Vicki Dowd (906) 458-7562
Drums: Molly Meshigaud (906) 723-2270

Boxing Exhibition
Fights start Friday at 1:00 p.m. in the Woodland Valley Gathering Grounds.
Gate opens at 11:00 a.m. \$5.00 Admission includes access to the exhibition & Pow Wow. Friday evening session only.
For more information contact Keith Tebear at (906) 241-4261.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
visit www.hannahville.net
or find us on facebook

28TH ANNUAL
SAGINAW CHIPPEWA INDIAN
TRIBE OF MICHIGAN POWWOW

"Bringin' It Home"

AUGUST 3RD - 5TH
MT. PLEASANT - MICHIGAN

Grand Entry Times | 7:00 Friday | 1:00 Saturday | 1:00 Sunday

Special Guests
Host Drum
Meskwaki Nation

Prize Payouts
Open Drum Contest first place
\$10,000
Paying 7 places
Drum split for non placing drums

Dance Contest Adult
1st Place **\$1,400**
paying up to 5 places

MC's: Marin Denning & Chris "Pleasant Pheasant"
Arena Directors: Jason George & Dave Shananaquet
Head Veteran: George Martin
Head Singing Judge: Robert "Bobby" Bird
Male Dance Judge: Robert "Bobby" Bird
Female Dance Judge: Judy "Wabanokwe" Pamp
Head Dancers: Miengun Pamp & Darcy "Sprague" Pilar

Vendors by Invitation Only
Apply at sagchippowwow@sagchip.org

For more information contact:
Angel Jackson (989)775-5701
Craig Graverette (989)775-4081
Elizabeth Ballew (989)775-4745

For vendor forms/hotel info, visit
www.sagchip.org

Public Welcome
No Pets Allowed Service Animals Welcome
Drug and Alcohol Free Event

Lodging:
Soaring Eagle Casino and Resort
1-800-7-EAGLE-7
The Green Suites
(989)772-2905
\$25 Casino Premium Play with any room stay
Saginaw Chippewa Campground
(989)772-2285

ONEIDA 40TH ANNUAL
POW-WOW

June 29
through
July 1,
2012

5 MILES WEST OF
GREEN BAY, WI

LOST

Silver necklace with Madonna medal. There is an inscription in French on the back. Lost at the LTBB Pow Wow Grounds in Harbor Springs, MI, on February 3, 2012 during the bald eagle release. If found, please contact Mike Kilpatrick at 231-622-4773.

Pokégnek Bodéwadmik
POKAGON BAND OF POTAWATOMI

27th Annual
Kee Boon Mejn Kaa
Pow Wow

2012
Saturday, September 1
Sunday, September 2

Dance Contest
Hand Drum Special
Great Lakes Old Style • Traditional • Special
Rustic camping for pow wow participants.

Grounds open at 10am
Grand Entry Times
Saturday 1pm & 6pm
Sunday at Noon
Admission is free

Pokagon Band • Dowagiac, MI www.PokagonPowwow.com



ELDERS PROGRAM

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE FOOD AND UTILITY REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

Aanii Tribal Elder,

This notice is to provide you with information about the Food and Utility Reimbursement program. An Elder is defined as 55 years of age or older by December 31, 2012. If *all* requested documents are turned in to the Elders Program by the deadline, you may be able to receive a check up to \$400. The deadline to submit your application and receipts is December 31, 2012. Please read this notice all the way through before sending receipts.

Step One. Application materials:

1. Fill out 2012 application included with this letter.

2. Send in 2012 grocery receipts adding up to \$200.

items allowed: groceries, household supplies

items not allowed: pet supplies, tobacco products or alcohol.

3. Send in 2012 paid utility bill(s) adding up to \$200.

utility bills allowed; heating, electric, water, and trash removal

utility bills not allowed; cell phone, cable, satellite, Internet

4. **Hand written receipts, cancelled checks or money order receipts will NOT be accepted.**

Step two: How to complete application:

1. Complete and sign the application.

2. Double check your 2012 grocery receipts add up to \$200.

3. Double check your 2012 utility bills add up to \$200.

4. Mail to above address or drop off at

the office.

Step three: How your application is processed:

** Please note this process takes about two weeks.*

1. When we receive your application, it is stamped with the date it arrives.

2. We review the application to make sure it's complete with signature and add up the grocery receipts and utility receipts.

3. If application and receipts are complete, a check request will be submitted to LTBB Accounting Department.

4. LTBB Accounting Department will mail your check.

Miigwech,
Kathy McGraw , Elder Outreach Assistant 231-242-1423

**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Elders Program
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
Ph: 231-242-1423**



Food & Utility Reimbursement Application

January 26, 2012

Please **print** the following information:

Tribal Enrollment Number: _____

Name: _____
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Mailing Address: _____
(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Date of Birth: _____

Telephone: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

***Please remember to include original utility & grocery receipts for current calendar year**

For office use only, please do not write in this section.

Utility Total: _____

Grocery Total: _____

GRANTS & DONATIONS PROGRAM

Small grants are available for tribal citizens and tribal community groups for events. Donations are available for both Native and non-Native organizations. If you would like an application, please contact Melissa Wiatrolik at 231-242-1420. The deadline for submitting an application is August 31, 2012. Please note that the Grants and Donations program is NOT intended for small business purposes.

In Need of A Ride?



Medical Transportation
Is available to tribal households who have no alternate means of transport. For LTBB household members residing in the LTBB service delivery area. For medical appointments/purposes only. Transport must be arranged 72 hours in advance. Contact Community Outreach at the LTBB Health Department at 231-242-1601

The LTBB Cultural Library is just a click away!

- Go to www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
- Select "Cultural Library Online" directly from the left menu on our LTBB homepage
- Browse over 2,300 books, movies, CDs, DVDs etc.
- You can search by title, author, subject or keyword

Don't remember the title or author? You'll find cover images to help you find the information you need.

Visit the library from home!
Our catalog is online and easy to use.



ATTENTION LTBB CONTRACTORS

If you would like to be considered for future LTBB projects, please contact Purchasing Technician/Contracts Mandy Szocinski at 231-242-1439 or e-mail at mszocinski@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov



Free! Open to the public! Bring the whole family!

21ST ANNUAL ODAWA HOMECOMING POW WOW

**AUGUST 11 & 12, 2012
HARBOR SPRINGS, MI
LTBB POW WOW GROUNDS**



**Dance, Drum and
Hand Drum Contests**

**Grand entry times
Saturday, August 11 – 1 & 7 p.m.
Sunday, August 12 – 12 p.m.**

**Registration ~ Friday, August 11, 5-8 p.m. & Saturday, August 12, 10 a.m. – Noon
Registration fee \$5 per dancer/singer. TRIBAL IDS MAY BE REQUESTED.
Tiny tots need not register.**

**Sponsored by
Little Traverse Bay Bands
of Odawa Indians
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION
Annette VanDeCar 231-242-1427
avandecar@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov**

**VENDOR INFORMATION
Marcia Sutton 231-373-0867
msutton10@yahoo.com**

231-242-1430 Fax

Rain site: Petoskey High School Gymnasium

Absolutely no politics, drugs, alcohol or pets allowed at this event. Not responsible for loss of property or accidents.

TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES



The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Meeting Tribal Court Room 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740 February 19, 2012

Vote: 11-5 - Yes, 3- No (Councilor Wemigwase, Treasurer Bott, Secretary Gasco Bentley), 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell)

Motion carried.
Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to acknowledge receipt of the Executive report for February 19, 2012.

Vote: 11-8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell) Motion carried.

10:00 a.m. Councilor Bardwell arrived.
Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Councilor Denemy to table the motion to approve the agreement with the State of Michigan.

Vote: 9-11- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to approve Certified Motion: Request for Funding from the Office of Justice Programs, United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Fiscal Year 2012 Adult Drug Court Enhancement Grant.

Vote: 9-11- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to approve the contract between LTBB and Charter Communication LLC as presented and recognize the provision contained therein that expressly provides for a limited waiver of Sovereign immunity.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to approve Certified Motion: Request for Funding from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians 2012 Basic Library Services Grant.

Vote: 11-9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Councilor Keshick to recommend that the Executive continue to pursue the Totem Technology opportunity and authorize and approve the Executive to sign non-binding docs.

Vote: 11-9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

11:19 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Treasurer Bott to go into closed session for legal purposes.

Vote: 11-9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

11:34 a.m. Motion made by Legislative Leader Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Bott return to open session.

Vote: 11-9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to accept Legislative Leader Kiogima's report for February 19, 2012.

Vote: 11-9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

11:47 a.m. Public comment opened: Yvonne McShane spoke in support of Council not holding fundraisers for individuals when running for office. Arlene Naganashe asked Council to not mirror the federal government.

11:51 a.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Councilor Keshick to appoint James Genia to Associate Judge for a four (4) year term.

Roll call vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Denemy-yes, Councilor Gasco-no, Councilor Keshick-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Councilor Wemigwase-no, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Kiogima-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Councilor Denemy approve the Legislative Leader to negotiate a contract with the Associate Judge James Genia that contains a provision for actual travel expenses up to the amount of \$24,000 for FY 2012 and FY 2013, and the

Tribal Council Meeting Dates

**May 5 Work Session
May 6 Council Meeting
May 19 Work Session
May 20 Council Meeting**

**June 9 Work Session
June 10 Council Meeting
June 23 Work Session
June 24 Council Meeting**

ALL TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETINGS AND WORK SESSIONS ARE HELD IN THE TRIBAL COURTROOM LOCATED AT 7500 ODAWA CIRCLE, HARBOR SPRINGS, MI.

Legislative Tribal Council Members

Melvin L. Kiogima, Legislative Leader
Regina Gasco-Bentley, Secretary
John Bott, Treasurer
Aaron Wayne Otto, Councilor
Belinda Bardwell, Councilor
John Keshick III, Councilor
Bill A. Denemy, Councilor
Winnay Wemigwase, Councilor
Kevin Gasco, Councilor

contract will be brought back for Tribal Council approval.

Vote: 5-11- Yes, 4 - No (Councilor Gasco, Councilor Wemigwase, Treasurer Bott, Councilor Otto), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

12:42 p.m. Lunch recess called.

1:30 p.m. Meeting reconvened. Councilor Bardwell absent.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to accept Treasurer Bott's report for February 19, 2012.

Vote: 11-8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell) Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Denemy to table the supplemental funding request for the Judicial Branch.

Vote: 11-8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell) Motion carried.

2:21 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Treasurer Bott to go into closed session for confidential business matters.

Vote: 11-8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell) Motion carried.

3:05 p.m. Motion made by Treas-

urer Bott and supported by Councilor Keshick to return to open session.

Vote: 11-8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell) Motion carried.

3:05 p.m. Public Comment opened. No comments.

3:05 p.m. Public Comment closed.

3:06 p.m. Recess called.

3:19 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Denemy to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's report for February 19, 2012.

Vote: 11-8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell) Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Denemy to approve the action step contained within the confidential memo #021912-01 by Legislative Services Attorney Budnick.

Vote: 11-8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to approve the Kenyon & Kenyon letter of Engagement and authorize General Counsel Bransky to sign such agreement.

Vote: 11-8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Councilor Keshick to approve the travel expenses for Kip Ritchie's attendance to the Economic Development session being held March 17, 2012.

Vote: 11-8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Denemy to accept the Gaming Authority Committee Report as presented by Councilor Gasco Committee Chairperson.

Vote: 7-11- Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell) Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to accept the Land and Reservation Committee report as presented by Legislative Leader Kiogima, Committee Chairperson.

Vote: 11-8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept the Legal and Legislative Committee report as presented by Secretary Gasco Bentley, Committee Chairperson.

Vote: 11-8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell) Motion carried.

4:03 p.m. Recess called.

4:30 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to post the proposed amendment to the Legislative Calendar the Amendment to the Natural Resource Commission Statute.

Vote: 11-8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept Tribal Council member John Keshick's report regard-

ing the Natural Resource Commission Statute Amendment. And Secretary Gasco Bentley Tribal Council member report regarding Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes host Health and Human Services Meeting for February 19, 2012.

Vote: 11-8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell) Motion carried.

5:06pm Councilor Wemigwase departs

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Denemy to approve Certified Motion: Execution of Trust Deed for "Second Street" Parcel.

Vote: 6-11- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Gasco, Councilor Wemigwase, Councilor Bardwell) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to approve Certified Motion: Execution of Trust Deed for "Mill Street" Parcel.

Vote: 7-11- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell, Councilor Wemigwase)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Councilor Keshick to approve Certified Motion: Execution of Trust Deed for "Pond Street" Parcel

Vote: 7-11- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell, Councilor Wemigwase)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Treasurer Bott to approve Certified Motion: Execution of Trust Deed for "Borowy" Parcel.

Vote: 7-11- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell, Councilor Wemigwase)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept the Enjinaaknegeng Report as presented by General Counsel Bransky for February 19, 2012.

Vote: 7-11- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell, Councilor Wemigwase)

Motion carried.

5:18 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Treasurer Bott to adjourn.

Vote: 7-11- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell, Councilor Wemigwase)

Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as written:

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary

Date

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Meeting Tribal Court Room 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740 March 18, 2012

Closed Session: yes
Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:00 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Melvin L. Kiogima

Council Present: Legislative Leader Melvin L. Kiogima, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer John Bott, Councilor Belinda Bardwell, Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor "Minutes" continued on page 16.

"Minutes" continued from page 15.

John Keshick, Councilor Bill A. Denemy

Absent: Councilor Kevin Gasco, Councilor Winnay Wemigwase

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Legislative Office Manager Michele LaCount

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Vice-Chair Julie Shananaquet, Regulatory Director Vince Cook, Gaming Regulatory Commission Beverly Wemigwase, Natural Resource Director Doug Craven

Public: Renee Dillard, Rose Smalley, Annette VanDeCar, Alice Yellowbank, Carol McFall, Emily Proctor, Eric Hemenway, Matt Davis, Michael Smith

Invited Guests: Michael Garrow 9:09 a.m. Councilor Wemigwase arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to adopt the agenda as amended for February 19, 2012.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Gasco) Motion carried.

The March 4, 2012 meeting was cancelled due to weather.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Denemy to approve the minutes of February 19, 2012 as presented.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Gasco) Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley supported by Councilor Otto to ratify into the record the Phone Poll dated March 15, 2012. The reason for the Phone Poll: Motion to approve and authorize General Counsel James Bransky and Legislative Leader Melvin L. Kiogima to sign a common interest confidentiality agreement between Little Traverse Bay Bands, Grand Traverse Band and Little River Band, as presented, regarding land and reservation issues, subject to minor technical edits.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Gasco) Motion carried.

9:17 a.m. Elder Comments: no comments at this time.

9:23 a.m. Councilor Gasco arrived.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Keshick to approve Citizenship List B Declination Ineligible dated February 12, 2012 for a total of 1.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

10:35 a.m. - 10:53 a.m. Recess called.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to set a hearing date for the Tribal Citizen as it appears on the Citizenship List D dated February 23, 2012, for Sunday, September 9, 2012 at 1:30 pm.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Councilor Bardwell to table the Wage Grid Implementation Resolution request.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Keshick to table nominations for Waganakising Odawa Development, Inc. Corporate Charter until after the Economic Development Work Session.

Vote: 4 - Yes, 5 - No (Councilor Gasco, Councilor Bardwell, Legislative Leader Kiogima, Councilor Denemy, Councilor Otto), 0 - Ab-

stained, 0 - Absent Motion failed.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Treasurer Bott to acknowledge the receipt of Beatrice A. Law and Gerald V. Chingwa Waganakising Odawa Development, Inc. Corporate Charter nominations as presented by the Executive.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Councilor Keshick), 0 - Absent Motion carried.

11:57 a.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

11:57 a.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Gasco to acknowledge the receipt of Winona Singel Appellate Justice nomination as presented by the Executive.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Treasurer Bott to acknowledge the receipt of William I. Denemy Appellate Justice nomination as presented by the Executive.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Councilor Denemy), 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Gasco to table the "Regulations of the Gaming Regulatory Commission Amendment to REG-WOS 2005-06 091210-009".

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell) Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Gasco to approve Certified Motion: Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families Administration on Children, Youth and Families/Family and Youth Services Bureau Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Family Violence Prevention and Services Program.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Gasco to approve Certified Motion: Request for Funding from the United States Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women (OVW),

Fiscal Year 2012 Enhanced Training and Services to End Violence Against and Abuse of Women Later in Life Program, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians End Violence Against Elders Project.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Gasco to acknowledge receipt of the Executive report for March 18, 2012.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

12:00 p.m. Lunch recess called.

1:30 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

2:16 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Gasco to go into closed session for personnel.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

3:44 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Denemy to return to open session.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

3:44 p.m. Recess called.

3:53 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

3:53 p.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

3:54 p.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Councilor

Otto to remove Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language and Cultural Department from the Legislative Calendar.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Councilor Gasco), 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to pass the Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department Statute.

Roll Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Denemy-yes, Councilor Gasco-yes, Councilor Keshick-yes, Councilor Otto-no, Councilor Wemigwase-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Kiogima-no.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Bardwell to pass the Education Department Statute.

Roll Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Denemy-yes, Councilor Gasco-yes, Councilor Keshick-yes, Councilor Otto-no, Councilor Wemigwase-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Kiogima-no.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Gasco to pass the Department of Repatriation and Archival Records Statute.

Roll Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Denemy-yes, Councilor Gasco-yes, Councilor Keshick-yes, Councilor Otto-no, Councilor Wemigwase-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Kiogima-no.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Bardwell to request that Executive present within 120 days to Tribal Council regulations to implement the following Statutes upon enactment: Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department, Education Department, Department of Repatriation and Archival Records.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Gasco to approve an offer to Michael Garrow for the position of Treasury Director and the Legislative Leader shall negotiate a contract for Tribal Council approval.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Gasco to approve the Tribal Court retaining Attorney John Petoskey to represent the Judiciary up to the amount of \$15,000.00.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Gasco to approve the Judiciary's request for supplemental funding in the amount of \$5,000.00 for "travel" for a special appointment of a Judge.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Keshick), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Denemy to approve the Tribal Courts request for supplemental funding in the amount of \$129,710.00 for salary for Drug Court staff and salary deficit for Associate Judge, travel for Court staff and judges, training, Indigent Defense Fund, subscription for Westlaw Legal Database, and law clerks.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Denemy to approve the Tribal Courts request for supplemental funding in the amount of \$2,500.00 for supplies for the Associate Judge.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Gasco), 1 - Abstained (Councilor Wemigwase), 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Gasco to approve the special appointment of Timothy Connors to hear the case of Steingold vs. Tribal Judiciary, #C-142-0312, at the request of the Tribal Court for the reason that all Tribal Court Judges have recused themselves from this particular case.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Keshick), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Gasco to accept Treasurer Bott's Treasurer Report and Appropriations and Finance Committee as presented for March 18, 2012.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Councilor Gasco to post the Amendment to 2007-001 Marriage Draft Statute on the Legislative Calendar.

Vote: 5 - Yes, 2 - No (Councilor Keshick, Legislative Leader Kiogima), 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Treasurer Bott, Councilor Wemigwase) Motion carried.

5:25 p.m. Recess called.

5:37 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

5:43 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Treasurer Bott to go into closed session for legal purposes.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

6:25 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Otto to return to open session.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Wemigwase) Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Gasco to accept Enjiinakng report for March 18, 2012.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Wemigwase) Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to authorize retention of Olson, Bzdok & Howard, P.C. for defense of suit in Tribal Court case number C-138-1111.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Councilor Wemigwase), 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Otto to table the performance evaluation of the Legislative Services Attorney.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to override Executive Veto for Tribal Chair Ambassadorial Capacity and Tribal Representative Statute.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Otto), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Otto to accept the Legislative Leader Kiogima's Report for March 18, 2012.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Ab-

stained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Otto to accept the Gaming Authority Committee Report for March 18, 2012 as presented by Councilor Gasco Committee Chairperson.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept the Ethics Committee Report for March 18, 2012 from Councilor Otto Committee Chair.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

7:06 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Treasurer Bott to go into closed session for land.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

7:12 P.M. Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Treasurer Bott to return to open session.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept the Tribal Council Member Reports March 18, 2012.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

7:19 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by to go into closed session for Confidential Business.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

7:30 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Treasurer Bott to return to open session.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Gasco to approve supplemental funding to the Legislative Budget for consultants in the amount of \$50,000.00 to come from prior period funds.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

7:34 p.m. Councilor Bardwell left the meeting.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's Report for March 18, 2012.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell) Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to appoint Jannan Cornstalk to the Natural Resources Commission to fill a vacancy ending 2013.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell) Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Denemy to approve the contact between LTBB and Associate Judge James Genia and authorize the Legislative Leader to sign the contract.

Vote: 4 - Yes, 4 - No (Councilor Gasco, Councilor Wemigwase, Treasurer Bott, Councilor Otto), 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell) Motion failed.

7:48 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Treasurer Bott to adjourn.

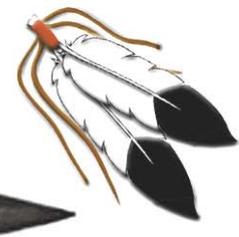
Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell) Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as corrected:

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary

Date

NATIVE NEWS



MOTORCYCLE CLUB FORMING IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN, INFORMATIONAL MEETING ON MAY 9, 2012



Aanii to anyone out there interested in participating in the development of a motorcycle club. An effort is underway pursuing that idea. So far, we have a draft mission and vision statement along with a list of potential club names.

“The mission of the (club name) will be to promote and encourage safe riding, camaraderie and goodwill within our own Tribe and other Nations. We welcome all makes and models of modern day Iron Horses and membership from all walks of life. We embrace our language, culture and traditions, always valuing the Creator, respecting Mother Earth and maintaining the pride of our Ancestors. The road we ride is paved with the Seven Grandfather teachings and our eyes on the seven generations vision. Freedom is the heartbeat of our circle.”

“The vision of (club name) will be to promote a healthy livelihood for the Native Nations of Turtle Island and all Cultures. Anishinaabe Values will guide us forward to a good and safe life.”

Current potential names include Waganakising Warriors, Waganakising Riders, Crooked Tree Riders, Waganakising Anishinaabe Riders (W.A.R). Your name suggestions are welcomed.

Everything else is still in the development stages. Again, we embrace all makes and models of modern day Iron Horses, ranging from the large touring bikes to mopeds and scooters. Additionally, you do not have to own a motorcycle to become a member. If you are a passenger, if you are thinking of ownership down the road, if you would like help in getting your cycle endorsement or just want to be part of this club, your participation is welcomed and encouraged.

We plan to keep it simple and build as we grow. This is all we have so far, and nothing is set in stone. Initially, we will have a Director (Bill A. Denemy) and Assistant Director (Tony Davis) to get things rolling. As we grow, we could evolve to Secretary, Treasurer, Editor, Road Captains, Spiritual Advisor and other officer positions as the club sees fit. We envision all officer positions as voluntary, non-paid and elected yearly from our membership. We plan to be a non-profit organization. Membership is open to anyone.

There currently exists the Rez-Riders Indian Motorcycle Club in California and Arizona and in the Brimley, MI, area, there is the Rolling Rezzers Motorcycle Club. It is time for us to step up.

We would like to invite any interested individuals to an organizational meeting on May 9, 2012 at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, at 6 p.m. Start thinking now of potential names for our club and other thoughts and ideas. Our major goal will be to log many miles of smiles on our Iron Horses.

Currently, every Wednesday at 6 p.m., a group meets at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, to do a group ride. It is very unstructured and just promotes an opportunity for a group ride. If you want to ride, just show up. Everyone is welcome.

Please e-mail any questions to denemyb@charter.net or call Bill at 231-330-8987 and Tony at 231-340-0023.

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Harbor Springs, Michigan 49740
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SUMMER SEMESTER 2012

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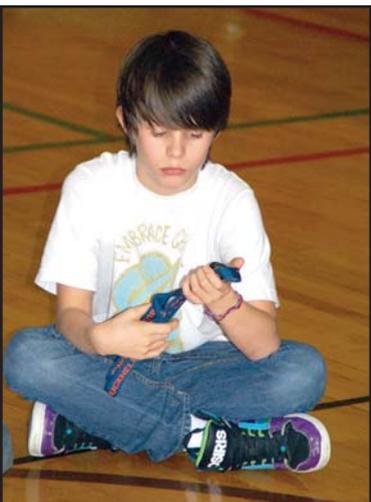
DATES
May 11, 12, 13
June 1, 2, 3
June 22, 23, 24
July 20, 21, 22
August 17, 18, 19

TIMES
Fridays 1pm-8pm
Saturdays 8am-8pm
Sundays 8am-12noon

For More Information Contact LTBB Gijigowi Bipskaabimi Department, (231)242-1480, 1-866-652-5822
Carla McFall, (231)242-1454, cmcfall@LttbbOdawa-nsn.gov

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Springs schools; has roadside billboards near the Oleson's grocery store in Petoskey, MI, in Brutus, MI, and near the Pellston Regional Airport in Pellston, MI, which include "Text a Trooper" information where people can anonymously report underage drinking; and is in the process of developing an evidence-based, vertical tribal ID program which was detailed in last month's *Odawa Trails*.



SPRING Program staff dropped off "Parents Who Host Lose the Most" signs in mid-April 2012, prior to homecoming, prom and graduation parties, and will pick them up at the end of June 2012.

"We've had good community support in regards to people displaying the signs, and we've received good feedback from both schools and individuals," Woodin said.

If it is approved by the Executive, the evidence-based practice, vertical tribal ID program would involve LTBB issuing vertical tribal IDs to all tribal citizens 20 and under.

A vertical tribal ID would immediately alert a store clerk at LTBB-owned Biindigen Gas Station and Convenience Store in Petoskey, MI, an individual is not old enough to purchase alcohol or tobacco or alert a security guard at LTBB-owned Odawa Casino in Petoskey, MI, an individual is not old enough to gamble there. It is illegal to sell alcohol to individuals under 21 and illegal in Michigan to sell tobacco to individuals under 18. The gambling age at Odawa Casino is 19.

For anyone who is interested in supporting the program, in joining the Advisory Council or wanting further information about the SPRING Program, please contact Clerical Assistant Ronda Ellis at 231-242-1641.

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.



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Our Native children need Native foster families to care for them, ensuring that they embrace our culture and are given a chance to grow in our community.

If you have the time and desire to be a foster parent for our youth, please contact Human Services at 231-242-1620.

LTBB TO HOST MEDICINE WHEEL 5K/1 MILE SERIES

LTBB will be hosting a series of four, 5K runs or walks and 1 mile run or walk. These will be held during the four seasons throughout the year.

Our first run/walk will be held on June 1, 2012 at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. The event will start at 6 p.m. and will include traditional teachings corresponding with the Eastern direction, light snacks, healthy lifestyle information and a 5K run or walk OR a 1 mile run or walk.

The whole community is encouraged to participate ... from babies to elders. We will also have "sponsor runners" for those who are not able to run or walk.

Each participant will receive a t-shirt!!!!
For more information, please contact Kristy Dayson at 231-838-8830 or Barry Bott at 231-242-1589.

DO YOU QUALIFY FOR THE LTBB U.S.D.A. FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM?

Please call our office to see if we are able to help you! Call Monday - Friday 8 am to 5 pm at 231-242-1620.

*food distribution varies depending on availability

IN ACCORDANCE WITH FEDERAL LAW AND U.S DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE POLICY, THIS INSTITUTION IS PROHIBITED FROM DISCRIMINATING ON THE BASIS OF RACE, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEX, AGE, RELIGION, POLITICAL BELIEFS, OR DISABILITY. TO FILE A COMPLAINT OF DISCRIMINATION, WRITE USDA, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS, ROOM 326-W, WHITTEN BUILDING 1400 INDEPENDENCE AVENUE, S.W. WASHINGTON D.C. 20250-9410, OR CALL (202) 702-5964 (VOICE AND TDD). USDA IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER AND EMPLOYER.

NOTICE:

LIEAP funds are currently not available. Human Services will accept applications when funds do become available through the federal government. There are still Community Services Block Grant and Emergency funds. For more information, please contact Human Services at 231-242-1620

CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE!

We invite the tribal community to contact us for more details!
If you are interested, please contact the Human Services Department at **231-242-1620**

Odawa drummers and dancers are invited to participate in the Petoskey Lip Dub filming downtown Petoskey, MI, on Friday, June 1st, 2012 at 5 pm featuring all aspects of life in the Petoskey, MI, area.

Practice at 4 pm, filming at 5 pm.
Please call Paula at WKLT at 231-348-2000 for details.

2012 Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Annual Meeting - June 2, 2012
Odawa Casino Resort - Petoskey, MI
Time to be determined

Planning meeting dates:
LTBB Governmental Center
7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI
May 11 - 6pm
May 24 - 6pm

Contact Information:
2012 General Membership Speaker
Cathy Portman Bradley ~ 231-330-5130
E-mail: cathybradley@yahoo.com

For the most updated information, please refer to our Facebook page - "Community of Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians"



LINES FROM OUR MEMBERSHIP

Birthdays

Happy birthday Patrick. I love you. Valissa.

Happy birthday to my 1st born stinker, Michael. Love, Mom. Put the check in the mail.

Happy birthday to Kyle Michael Shomin on May 9 and Donald Shomin on May 21. From the Michael Shomin family.

Happy birthday to all, and hope you all have a nice day! To you cuz, Patrick Naganashe, Mary Powell, Tristan Hahn, Lucas Shananaquet, Raymond Kiogima, to you cuz, John Bott, Joslyn Shananaquet, Nicole Laughlin, Cheyenna King and Rowdy Yates. Don & Dorothy Boda.

Doug, Jeff, Patti and Dad wish the one we all love and care about big hugs and a kiss on her big day! We love you Mom.

Happy birthday to myself! Jan-nan J. Cornstalk, May 27th. Yup, I was born in Cass Corridor in Deetroit! Look how far I've come from such humble beginnings! LOL! jannanie, jannanagins, jannyner 49ner or as known by some CORNSTALK.

Happy 18th birthday Claus Nowell on the 21st! From your family: We love you bunches!

Birthdays

Happy birthday to nbaazim Tim, May 25th. You're the tallest Pueblo/Hopi I know! Mnodbiskaan Tim Thomas!! Hug me baby!! Mmmmmmwaaaahhhh!! (Jannan blows a kiss)

Happy birthday to my sister, Eileen Dennis, on May 16th. Have a great day and enjoy yourself! Love you with all my heart, Judy.

Happy 23rd birthday Alicia (Sissy) Nowell on the 30th! From your family who loves you so much.

Happy birthday to one Lovely Lady, Mother and Grandmother, Ms. Mary Keshick, who celebrates her day on May 4. We love you & cherish you forever. Love, Linda, Kacie & Jeff.

Happy birthday to the Harley Mamma, TK. Hope the day is sunny & warm, so you will be able to enjoy your ride on May 17. Cheers. Love, your sister, Linda, & kids.

Happy birthday to John Keshick III. It's OFFICIAL ha ha. Love, your sis, Linda.

Happy 31st birthday to David King on May 10. Enjoy your special day and have a great year. From your family up north.

Birthdays

Happy birthday Uncle Punk on May 27. Love, your favorite niece, Kacie.

Wishing Sue a very happy birthday on May 27th from Ma and the whole gang.

Happy birthday to Cindy Schuyler on May 31. Pamper yourself on your special day! From your family up north.

Happy birthday to my mom, Ruth Ann McGraw, she's looking forward to celebrating her 70th this year. We are truly blessed to have you in our lives, your loving daughter, Kathy.

Happy Mother's Day

Doug, Jeff and Patti wish our Mom a Happy Mother's Day too! And all our aunties too!

Don & Dorothy would like to wish our sisters, niece and the cuz a very, very Happy Mother's Day!

Happy Mother's Day to the General. Tough love all the way! Love, your kiddies.

Happy Mother's Day to our Mommy! We promise to behave on your special day. Yeah right. Love, your Diva and your Handsome Boy.

THE LTBB GOVERNMENTAL OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED FROM 1 PM TO 5 PM ON MAY 16, 2012 DUE TO THE CIRCLE OF EXCELLENCE PROGRAM.



SAVE THE DATE

June 1st 2012

LTBB 5th Annual HEALTH FAIR

Mina Mskiki Gumik
Health Department
1250 Lears Rd., Petoskey, MI
(behind the old casino)

Complete information will be available in the next issue of the Odawa Trails.



GRADUATION ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINE

All 2012 graduation announcements must be received by Monday, May 7th, 2012 to be included in the June issue of the Odawa Trails. E-mail your announcement along with a photo of the graduate to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or mail to:

Communications Department
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

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231-647-4930 E-MAIL LAH.LAHS10@GMAIL.COM
OR FIND US ON FACEBOOK TO R.S.V.P.
FACEBOOK.COM/LAHLAHS

2012 Miss Odawa Nation Contest

LIVE THE LEGACY...

A crown has been worn by a young Odawa woman for over 70 years. These young women proudly display the finest qualities.

To be considered for this high honor, you must be:

Between the ages of 13 to 19

A positive role model for all youth

Knowledgeable in Odawa culture

A young lady with Odawa lineage

who is at least 1/4 Native American

Single with no dependents

A Pow Wow dancer



Application materials available online at:

www.odawahomecoming.com or www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov (Click Announcements) or Contact Shanna Wemigwase at 231-242-1628 or swemigwase@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Miss Odawa 2012 to be crowned at the Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow Saturday August 11th, 2012

“AUDACIOUS SINGLES”

Feeling left out? We are forming a new group in Petoskey that welcomes all singles in Northern Michigan. If you would like to meet new friends in a social gathering, come join us with your experience and your ideas to plan fun events. Get active and let's Rock!

FOR INFORMATION, CALL: JANICE AT 231-622-8259

ODAWA HOMECOMING CANOPY POLICIES

- All canopies must have at least one participant (Dancer/Singer)
- Set-up begins Friday, August 10 at 5 p.m. NO EXCEPTIONS!
- Canopy space is limited to a 10' x 10' area
- YOU are responsible for canopy area CLEAN up before leaving
- All interested parties MUST check in with Pow Wow Committee Member prior to setting up
- Canopy limit is ONE per FAMILY even if there are multiple participants. NO EXCEPTIONS!

"Officer Symons" continued from page 1.

called for an ambulance. Despite her efforts at CPR, and additional resuscitation efforts by the EMS crew which took him to Charlevoix Area Hospital, she said her husband didn't regain his breathing or a sustained pulse.

"He was a loving father to his two boys, and he'll be deeply missed," she said.

Along with his wife and two sons, Patrick Henry Symons II, 11, and Christopher James Symons, 8, Patrick Symons is survived by his mother, Nina Marie Symons, of East Jordan; two brothers, Daniel Symons of East Jordan and Joseph (Laura) Lyons of Bridgeport, CT.; one sister, Kimberly (Frankie) Lyons, of Bridgeport, CT.; his mother-in-law and father-in-law, Kay and James Spence, of East Jordan; as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by one son, Raymond Patrick Symons, on March 20, 1994; his father, William Harold Symons, on June 26, 2002; and his stepmother, Kathy Symons, on December 30, 2010.

Several area law enforcement agencies were involved in commemorating Symons' police service with a procession to the cemetery, color guard and graveside honors, Cobe said.

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

Patrick H. Symons, 34

Patrick H. Symons, 34, of East Jordan, MI, died March 25, 2012 in East Jordan.

He was born on July 16, 1977 in West Branch, MI, the son of William Harold and Nina Marie (Gensman) Symons.

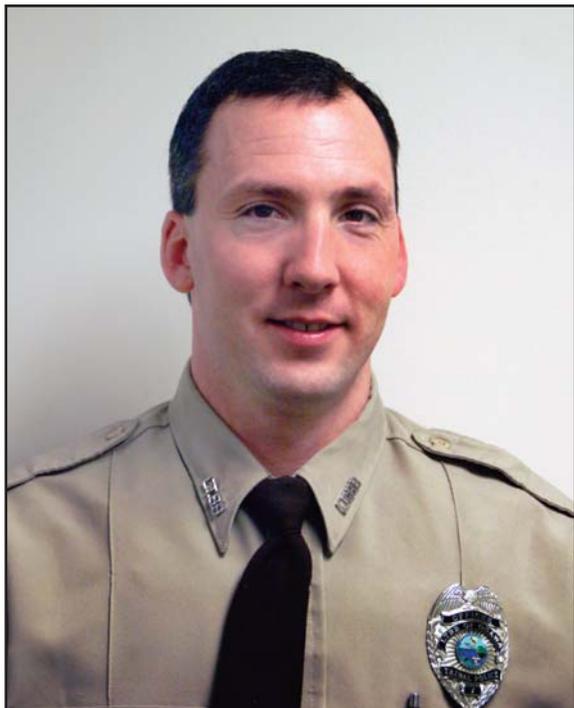
On March 19, 1994, in Ellsworth, MI, he married Melissa Spence.

Patrick received his Associate degree in Law Enforcement in May 2009 from Northwestern Michigan College.

He was a Law Enforcement Officer for the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians in Harbor Springs, MI. He also served as auxiliary deputy for the East Jordan Po-

lice Department.

Patrick loved spending time with his family. He is survived by his wife, Melissa Symons, of East



Jordan; two sons, Patrick Henry Symons II and Christopher James Symons, both of East Jordan; his mother, Nina Marie Symons, of East Jordan; two brothers, Daniel Symons of East Jordan and Joseph (Laura) Lyons of Bridgeport, CT.; one sister, Kimberly (Frankie) Lyons, of Bridgeport, CT.; his mother-in-law and father-in-law, Kay and James Spence, of East Jordan; as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins.

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Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

Housing Department

7500 Odawa Circle

Harbor Springs, MI 49740

231-242-1540

Fax: 231-242-1550

WAH-WAHS-NOO DA KE

Elder Housing Development



Application Availability Notification

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Housing Department is accepting applications for our Elder Housing Development located in Harbor Springs, MI. The Wah-Wahs-Noo Da Ke Elder Housing Development consists of twelve, two (2) bedroom units nestled in a peaceful, country setting north of Harbor Springs, MI. Applicants must meet the following guidelines:

- MUST BE A MEMBER OF A FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED TRIBE
- MUST BE 55-YEARS OF AGE, HANDICAP AND/OR DISABLED OF ANY AGE
- MUST BE INCOME QUALIFIED - RENT BASED ON INCOME

Please note that Tribal identification and ALL household income/asset information must accompany your application.

Please contact the Housing Department for more information at 231-242-1540.



**Barrier Free Units Available
Equal Housing Opportunity
TDD: 800-649-3777**

HOUSING DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS

Services are available to citizens residing within the 27 county service area. An application packet must be completed and returned to the Housing Dept. for processing to determine qualification. To obtain an application, please contact the Housing Dept. at 231-242-1540.

Short Term Rental Assistance: This program offers up to \$1,500 for new tenants who need assistance with the first month's rent and/or security deposit. This can be used ONE TIME ONLY and the rent requested must be affordable and can NOT exceed 35% of the household gross monthly income. Please note the application packet must be received and approved in advance of your moving into the rental in order to qualify for this program.

Home Improvement Program: This program offers up to \$2,500 for non-cosmetic home repairs and may be utilized once every five years.

Down Payment Assistance: This program offers up to \$2,500 or 10% of your mortgage (whichever is less) and can be used to purchase or refinance a home. In order for you to receive any grant dollars, you must be able to match the grant amount with your own guaranteed funds.

Foreclosure Prevention Program: This program offers up to \$3,000 to assist in foreclosure prevention.

Well & Septic Assistance Program: Funded by the Indian Health Services located in Sault Ste. Marie, MI this program provides the resources and technical assistance associated with the installation of a new well and sanitation service or replacement of deficient existing well/septic.

Credit Counseling: We provide confidential advice and referrals to assist tribal citizens in regaining their financial stability and credibility.

Tribal Rental Housing Program: The LTBB Housing Department offers 29 rental units in the Northern Michigan area. These units are available to rent to Tribal Citizens and most rents are based on a family's monthly income. Any Tribal Citizen interested in renting a unit from the LTBB Housing Department should contact our offices for an application. Currently, there is a waiting list for available units.

Save on your next computer with Dell

Tribal Citizens and Employees can save money on their next computer purchase when shopping with Dell. It's easy, just log on to www.dell.com/EPP or call 1-877-289-9437 and enter Member ID#: CS25031222 to take advantage of the discount.

If you have any questions, please call Purchasing Technician Mandy Szocinski at 231-242-1439



MICHIGAN INDIAN LAND CLAIMS SETTLEMENT CERTIFICATE REDEMPTION UPDATE

Submitted by the Trust Fund Board

It has been more than a decade since the original Michigan Indian Land Claims Settlement certificates were issued.

All adults have been paid or they have deferred payment to a later date, however, tribal children who were enrolled before December 16, 1997 but had not yet turned 18 are still in the process of redeeming their certificates.

The following steps are intended to aid in this process. Redeeming certificates from the Michigan Indian Land Claims Settlement Act, Public Law 105-143, are as follows:

1. Determine your eligibility: Tribal citizens who were enrolled, but had not reached the age of 18 on December 16, 1997 are eligible to redeem their certificates upon reaching the age of 18.
2. Sign your certificates with a notary: The tribal citizen redeeming his or her certificates must have a notarized signature.
3. Copy two pieces of identification: One piece of identification (e.g. Driver's license) must have a picture, and the second piece needs at least your signature.
4. Mail your signed certificates, the mailing address you would like your check sent to and two pieces of identification to the following address

Note: The address on the certificates is not correct:

LTBB Trust Fund Board
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

If you have lost your certificates or need further assistance, call Trust Fund Board Member Steve Schmidt at 734-717-4406.

Waas-no-de' Buffet
2012 Mother's Day Menu

Full Salad Bar

*Clam Chowder, Chicken Noodle and Fresh Vegetable
Chilled Peel and Eat Shrimp with Cocktail Sauce*

Roast Prime Rib of Beef

Hickory Smoked Ham Rum raisin sauce

Cajun Fried Shrimp • Batter Fried Pollock

Grilled Great Lakes Whitefish Almondine

Sauté Chicken Cordon Bleu

Apple Stuffed Roast Loin of Pork Sauce Robert

Asparagus with Herbed Butter

Cauliflower & Broccoli Au gratin

Red Skin Mashed Potatoes • Baked Sweet Potatoes

Grilled Salmon with Lemon Tarragon Butter

Bar B Que St Louis Cut Pork Ribs

Grilled Polish Sausage with Sauerkraut

Assorted Pizzas

Garlic Roasted Chicken • Shrimp Lo Mein

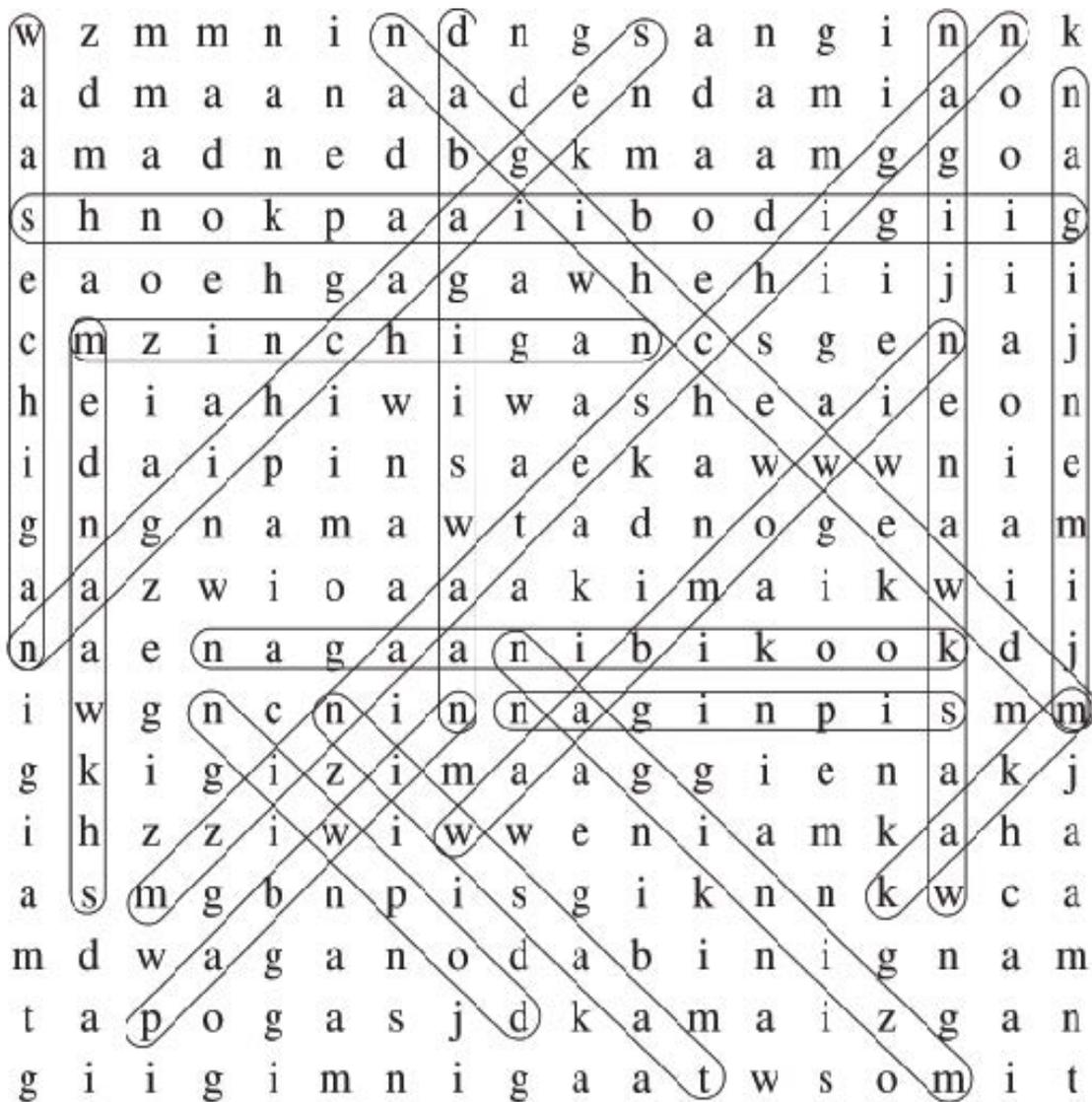
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along with Sugar Free Desserts*

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Puzzle on page 9.



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Barbara Jean Meshekey seeks family members.

Contact information:
 Home: 386-497-3538
 Cell: 386-623-3663
 E-mail: jjm2643@aol.com

Moving?

If you move, please contact the Enrollment Office and we will send you an address verification form.

Forms are also available at www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Click on Offices/Government Center/Enrollment Department and click on the appropriate form. The adult form must be printed on legal size paper and the minor form on letter size paper. We will continue to add forms there in the future.

It is the responsibility of the parent, guardian or custodial parent to complete an address verification form.

If you are a custodial parent, please provide proof by documentation.

Once a minor turns 18, you must contact the Enrollment Office and complete an address verification form or we will mark you as undeliverable.

If you are incarcerated and would like to continually receive the newsletter, you must keep your address current.

Towards the end of the year, we will notify you for purposes of the per capita payment.

Adult verification form must be witnessed.
 Minor verification form must be notarized.

Contact Enrollment Assistant Linda Gokee at 231-242-1521 or Enrollment Officer Pauline Boulton at 231-242-1520.



"Chairman" continued from page 11.

Investors for the Grand Rapids, MI, Lansing, MI, and Birch Run, MI, casinos will be announced later.

Under this proposal, the casinos would be required to pay a 23% wagering tax- 30% of that money would go to schools, 20% to municipalities and counties, 20% to the local government where the casino is located, 5% to the roads and 5% for gambling addiction prevention programs.

BILLY SIMS, the Detroit Lions star running back from the early 1980s, was involved with the campaigning to put seven new casinos in Michigan.

There are currently 25 casinos in Michigan: Three in the Detroit, MI, area; eleven in the Lower Peninsula of Michigan; and eleven in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

CHARITABLE EVENTS, INC.

Businessman Ryan Reedy signed an agreement for casino-style gaming set to start in downtown Kalamazoo, MI. Charity Events, Inc., an entity started by Reedy to develop and operate three venues in his entertainment district, signed an approved location agreement on March 29, 2012 with the MICHIGAN LOTTERY.

NOW IT'S YOUR TURN

You've paid into the system, so make your voice heard.

Keep a close eye on the candidates for President and Congress this year. Those who are elected could well decide the future of SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE. For the last year, Congress has been debating cuts to Social Security and Medicare as part of a deal to reduce the federal deficit. Over the last few years, vari-

ous changes to Medicare and Social Security have been proposed. Some candidates have suggested substituting private retirement accounts for some or all of Social Security. Proposed changes to Medicare have included raising the eligibility age, reducing benefits, increasing copayments, establishing a voucher system or reducing payments to Medicare providers.

AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE:

WHAT'S AT STAKE, WHAT'S ALREADY IN EFFECT AND WHAT IS STILL TO COME?

Having failed to persuade Congress that requiring Americans to carry health care insurance is a bad idea, opponents of federal health care reform asked the U.S. Supreme Court to declare enforcing such a requirement would be illegal.

In three consecutive days of oral arguments which began on March 26th, 2012, lawyers representing Republican Attorney Generals from Michigan and 25 other states attempted to convince justices Congress exceeded its constitutional authority when it enacted the Affordable Care Act, whose sweeping provisions would extend medical coverage to 30 million uninsured Americans and strengthen coverage for tens of millions more.

Opponents focused their attack on two elements of law - the so-called individual mandate, which requires virtually every non-poor citizen either to obtain coverage by 2014 or to pay the government a penalty tax, and new eligibility rules would add approximately 15 million people to Medicaid programs administered by the states.

Migwech, speak the language and follow our traditions and cultural values to preserve our strong unified tribal identity.

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Commission, Board and Committee Vacancies

Current Vacancies:

Commission/Board	Term	Vacancies
Citizenship	4 yr. term	5
Economic Development	3 yr. term	2
Housing	4 yr term	4
Trust Fund Board	4 yr. term	4
Election Board	4 yr. term	2
Liquor, Tobacco and Licensing Board	1, 2, 3 yr. term	3
Zoning Board of Appeals	1, 2, 3 yr. term	3
Waganakising Odawa Development, Inc.	3 yr. term	2
Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc.	5 yr term	2
Odawa Fishery, Inc.	3 yr term	2

The following information is provided for Tribal Members who are seeking nominations for an appointment to an LTBB Commission, Board and/or Committee. Those interested, please submit a letter of interest along with your resume to:

Tribal Chairman
 LTBB of Odawa Indians
 7500 Odawa Circle
 Harbor Springs, MI 49770
 Phone (231) 242-1418 Fax (231) 242-1411
 Email: chairman@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

The Executive Office notifies applicants when letter and resume are received. The Chairman's nominations are forwarded to Tribal Council. Thereafter, the Legislative Office handles all interview scheduling and correspondence for the Commissions or Boards, for the position vacancies.

The Executive office is also accepting resumes for nominations for the appointed positions of:

Judicial Postings:

Appellate Judge, 6 year term, expiring May 2017

Powers, Jurisdiction, Eligibility, Terms, see Article IX of The Constitution of the LTBB of Odawa Indians. Refer to the WOS 2010-016 Constitutionally Mandated Compensation Statute for Judges and Justices for compensation.

Appellate Judge, 6 year term, expiring February 2018

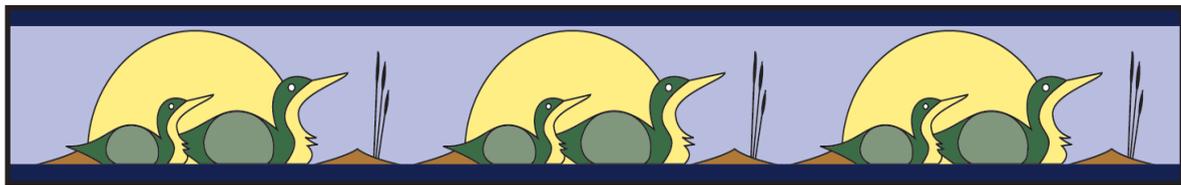
Powers, Jurisdiction, Eligibility, Terms, see Article IX of The Constitution of the LTBB of Odawa Indians.

Refer to the WOS 2010-016 Constitutionally Mandated Compensation Statute for Judges and Justices for compensation.

Special Prosecutor, 2 year term

Refer to WOS 2011-006 Tribal Prosecutor Statute , Sec. IX for qualifications, limited purpose and duty.

NATIVE NEWS BRIEFS



LTBB Tribal Citizen Sworn in as a Natural Resource Commissioner



LTBB Tribal Citizen **Jannan Cornstalk** took the oath of office as a Natural Resource Commissioner from Chief Judge Allie Greenleaf Maldonado on April 3, 2012 in the Tribal Courtroom at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI.

After being nominated by the Executive, Tribal Council appointed Cornstalk for a term ending in 2013 at the March 18 Tribal Council meeting.

"My father (Frank Cornstalk) and my Uncle Junior (Cornstalk) were both tribal fishermen," Cornstalk said. "I'm an avid fisherman myself. It's important we preserve our natural resources for future generations."

"I look forward to serving on the commission and learning as much as I can."

Cornstalk, who was born in Detroit, MI, has lived in the Northern Michigan area for the past eight years.

She earned an Associate degree in General Studies from North Central Michigan College in Petoskey, MI.

She has three children, Cari Greco, Jannan Cotto and Motego Cotto, and three grandchildren, Skylar Cornstalk, Luca Greco and Nevaeh Cotto.

She enjoys fishing in the Bear River in Petoskey, MI, having caught five different species there, has gathered birch bark, paddled in a jimaan to Beaver Island and speared in Wycamp Lake.



This year, she entered the drawing for a sturgeon permit and received a permit.

"It is an honor to catch such a magnificent creature," Cornstalk said. "I will have a feast for the community, and other parts of the sturgeon, I will give to those in the tribe who are sturgeon clan to put in their bundles."

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

LTBB Tribal Citizen Becomes Trine University's All-Time Winning Pitcher, Receives Accolades

LTBB Tribal Citizen **Andi Gasco** became Trine University's all-time winning pitcher when she captured her 41st career victory on March 20, 2012. In earning the 9-1 victory over Bluffton, she allowed only one earned run and six hits while striking out three.

Eight days later on March 28, 2012, she threw



her first career no-hitter in a 10-0 victory over Defiance College. It was only the fourth no-hitter in school history. She struck out seven in the five-inning victory.

Gasco, a junior and a Petoskey High School graduate, earned Michigan Intercol-



legiate Athletic Association (MIAA) Pitcher of the Week honors for games played through April 1, 2012. In addition to the two victories, she earned a save as she worked out of a bases-loaded, no-out jam in the sixth inning of Trine's 6-1 victory over Case Western Reserve on March 31, 2012. At the plate, she hit .429 with three home runs, two triples and seven runs batted in during the stretch. It was the second time in her career she earned MIAA Pitcher of the Week honors.

As a sophomore last season, she became Trine's first 20-game winner and ranked eighth in the country in strikeouts.

She is the daughter of Sue Gasco and Randy Searles and the granddaughter of Mary (Wemigwase) Gasco and the late Vernon Gasco.

The photos appear courtesy of Steven Bowen and Trine University.

LTBB Tribal Citizen Captures Award, Prepares for American Cancer Society's Relay for Life

LTBB Tribal Citizen **Hope Drogmiller**, 13, won an award

for her recent contest entry at her school's PTSA yearly Reflections contest. This year's theme was diversity means.

There were five categories children throughout Michigan could enter, and they included Visual Arts, Photography, Literature, Musical Composition and Dance. Hope entered the Photography category in this year's contest. Hope's efforts were recognized along with other students in the Walled Lake Consolidated School District on March 26, 2012. An awards ceremony was held at Hope's middle school, Sarah Banks, where Hope is currently an eighth-grader and maintains a 4.0 GPA. Hope has entered several PTSA Reflections contests every year during middle school as well as many of her elementary school years and has been recognized each year for her efforts. Hope said, "I encourage children and students everywhere in the State of Michigan to display their talents and enter their PTSA Reflections contest at their school. It's simply fun to do!"



Pictured from left to right in the courtesy photo are Hope Drogmiller and Art Teacher and PTSA Reflections Chair Mrs. Matties.

Drogmiller will represent with pride once again in the American Cancer Society's signature event of the year, the Relay for Life. Last year, Hope was the team captain of the team, Hope's Heroes. Hope does this event yearly. She was the 2009 Novi Relay for Life Team Member of the Year, and her relay team won best team spirit in 2010. Hope says she will continue to participate in the relay and continue to raise funds towards better treatments and possibly a cure one day.

Hope says, "Cancer is alive and well in 2012. We are in a war on cancer. It's not only a major problem for Native Americans everywhere, but a world problem! I've lost many family members I love to this hideous disease; my cousin, Lindsay, my Uncle Brian, my Grandma on Christmas morning a few years ago and many others I care about. My mommy, Kathy, is even a 12-year aggressive breast cancer survivor. This cause is an important one that is close to my heart! I am really proud of my most recent 1/2-page column I wrote for www.womenslifestylesemi.com where I wrote for the March 2012 edition about Relay for Life. I was able to reach so many more people and let them know about relay through this great publication that I am a contributing writer to. In case anyone would like to see the relay article, it is under the column name "Hope's Heroes Spotlight on Charities" and can be seen at www.womenslifestylesemi.com. I help with a



lot of charities such as Alzheimer's Association, St Jude's Children's Hospital and Leukemia/Lymphoma Society, but relay was my first charity and one that is closest to my heart. I joined my first relay alongside my mommy, Kathy, a few years ago. She mentioned she was a team captain, and all the good use that will be made from donations. I knew I wanted in. The following year, I formed my own team, and I was a team captain. It's a great event, and you, too, can relay in any city in America by simply going to www.relayforlife.org and follow simple instructions. To donate to my team and help find better treatments and possibly one day a cure, please go to www.relayforlife.org/novimi; please donate under team, Hope's Heroes, or Hope Drogmiller. Thank you! If you prefer to donate by mail, please send check or money order made out to The American Cancer Society, and please mail to Hope Drogmiller Hope's Heroes P.O. Box 276 Novi, Michigan 48376-0276 *Courtesy photo.*

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National Health Service Corps Scholarship Program

The National Health Service Corps (NHSC) Scholarship Program 2012 application cycle is now open.

Full-time students pursuing a career in primary care are eligible to apply.

Applications are due May 8, 2012.

The NHSC Scholarship Program removes the burden of overwhelming educational debt, allowing students to pursue their passion for primary care and serve the underserved.

For each year of financial support (up to four years), a scholarship recipient serves one year (minimum two years) in an NHSC-approved site in high-need urban, rural and frontier communities across the nation.

Scholarship support includes tax-free payment of tuition, required fees, other reasonable educational costs and a monthly living stipend (taxable).

All students applying to the program must be a U.S. citizen or national and enrolled or accepted in an eligible degree program at a U.S. accredited school in Medicine: MD or DO; Dentistry: DMD or DDS; Nurse Practitioner (Adult, Family, Geriatrics, Pediatrics, Psychiatric or Women's health); Certified Nurse Midwife; and Physician Assistant.



As in previous years, the National Health Service Corps Scholarship Program is expected to be competitive. If there are more qualified applicants than available funding, the NHSC will continue to prioritize applicants who are from a disadvantaged background and applicants who demonstrate a commitment to continuing to serve communities of need after their service to the NHSC is complete.

For more information, please visit <http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/scholarships/index.html>.

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Tribal Economic Forum to Be Held in Lansing, MI

The Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) is hosting the third annual Tribal Economic Forum on May 17-18, 2012 in Lansing, MI. The forum is scheduled to take place at the Radisson Lansing at the Capitol, located at 111 N. Grand Avenue in downtown Lansing. There is no fee to attend this forum. The Michigan Economic Development Corporation has reserved a block of rooms at the Lansing Radisson.

Speakers will address a variety of topics, including tribal business development, energy, agribusiness and contracting. There will be breakout sessions on current topics and limited table space available for an exhibition area for tribal artisans and businesses and for information sharing.

The event is open to the general public and intended to



present resources, programs and services directly related to tribal economic development.

To register for the workshop, please visit <http://tinyurl.com/tefworkshop>.

For additional information on tribal resources, visit www.michiganadvantage.org/tribal.

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